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(Up to November 20, 1928.)

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"Let the promotion list ALONE."

"More pay, quarters, and commutation in cities."

"Incorporate with revised pay bill."

"Opinion already sent to Chief of F. A. and your paper by letter."

"Do it all at once. Interest of Army paramount."

"Above all a proper pay bill."

"Do not think above covers the whole subject fairly."

"I don't care."

"Desire to congratulate you on this constructive move. I do not favor a revision of the promotion list."

"Am satisfied. But am tired of hearing the matter discussed. Settle it some way."

"I favor the Black and McSwain bills."

"Adjust promotion by McSwain bill."

"No change in present promotion list."

Corps of Engineers.

"No bill favored unless it plans system that covers future emergencies. Should be studied five years."

"Examinations not to be held for promotion."

"We should stop fighting for a revision of the promotion list and get together."

"I am in entire accord with the Simonds plan of submitting one bill containing only noncontroversial features."

"More effective weeding out of mediocre personnel is needed."

"No promotion examinations."

"Only when it becomes necessary to drop revision of the promotion list through inability of this Congress to adopt proposed Black-McSwain legislation."

"Favor promotion list revision as per Black-McSwain bills, but believe the above legislation should have priority."

"All of the above with proper regard to cost."

"Thank you."

"Failure of relief in this matter undoubtedly will result in increased number of resignations among best officers."

"Separate controversial and noncontroversial points."

"The passage of a pay bill, increasing the present comparative low pay, would do far more to increase morale in the Army than additional rank."

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Air Corps.

"Separate promotion for Air Corps officers."

"I favor the original Furlow bill."

"You don't seem to be interested in Air Corps legislation."

"The Reed amendment to Furlow bill would be fairly satisfactory."

"Examination for promotion should be required at end of stated number of years."

"Eliminate difference in pay roll for married and single."

"Nine and one-half years in one grade is unfair and unjust."

"The big thing for 2d Lieut. is a higher salary. The present is far from satisfactory."

"Favor retirement feature for Air Corps officers included in Furlow bill."

"But not as an amendment to the Furlow bill. Prepare a bill for the Army for rank and pay like the Navy is now instigating."

Chemical Warfare Service.

"I believe voluntary separations will sufficiently correct the difficulty. Believe (a) and (b) will clutter the Service with senior officers without jobs and make life miserable."

"Also limited promotion by selection."

"Favor promotion on length of service with limit to number in field grades."

"I think a retirement feature such as in Navy age-in-grade would be a good thing for the Army."

"Favor retirement of officers upon own application for over 30 years' service and who are past 60."

"No change in Pro. list. Change Pay and Allow. to 'Pay'."

Coast Artillery Corps.

"I think we had better let well enough alone. Congress is liable to give us another reduction."

"Better not get retired list too heavy. It is our only protection."

"I do not favor overloading of upper grades, with consequent cheapening."

"The greatest causes of lower morale in the Army are insufficient pay and lack of proper housing."

"Strongly opposed to (4)."

"I am not in favor of revision of the promotion list."

"Raise pay by 100 per cent."

"Would like to see above accomplished."

"The above measures as stated by you will solve the difficulty."

"Promotion list revision desired. Captains among Captains and Lieutenants among Lieutenants as it should have been."

"Do not tamper with promotion list."

"Leave promotion list as is."

"The less legislation on this subject the better."

"What's the odds?"

Quartermaster Corps.

"One bill for all."

"Believe revision of promotion list most important thing for the good of the Service."

"Rectify the promotion list."

"Under condition which an officer accepted his commission, I do not believe enforced separation would be in accord with our moral contract."

"Any kind of bill to get desired action."

"Am very much in favor of above and believe all fair minded will be."

"This appears to be the only fair, logical means to prevent stagnation."

"Above should suit everybody on fair basis."

"Keep up the good work."

"Increase pay without promotion in rank."

"That all service for pay be allowed in computing length of service, instead of commissioned service."

"Although I would be benefited by a change in the promotion list, I do not favor such a change if the majority is against it."

"Rearrangement of promotion list: No."

"The 1920 Act on Capts. and Lieuts. ought to be straightened out as originally intended. Rank should be eventually by age. Those not able to 'be their age' should quit. There could be no kick on promotion under my plan."

"No revision."

"Present promotion list is satisfactory. I am strongly opposed to revision."

"Drop matter of revising promotion list (I would gain hundreds of files by revision.)"

Signal Corps.

"Stricter enforcement by 'B' Board."

"Favor retirement after age limit in grades. Also promotion by examination."

"We need more money."

"Opposed to any change in promotion list."

"You do not mention placing officers appointed captains where they rightfully belong. Are you with the group who believe they should hold what they have because they have always had it? Why have you omitted the vital issue?"

"Revise promotion list."

"Heartily in favor of the above."

"I personally would be helped by the proposed revision of the promotion list. I am opposed to this revision. It is 'class legislation' of the most vicious kind."

"Black-McSwain bill is O. K."

"Do not favor taking promotion list apart."

"Any readjustment of promotion list would be merely transferring grievance."

"I favor 10 per cent increase, all grades."

Ordnance Dept.

"Believe in promotion after stated number of years' service."

"Recommend a bill with controversial points omitted, including (c-1) and (4) if necessary."

"I do not see how you can remove a camel's hump by amputating his fore-leg. Operate on the 'hump'."

"No enforced separations of any kind

except by G. C. M. or Class 'B.' No age in grade retirement."

"Revise promotion list and ask outright for more pay."

"We need a more equitable pay schedule. Equal pay for equal rank and increase in pay for all grades. Present pay schedule is rotten and inequitable."

Adjutant General's Dept.

"I favor taking full advantage of existing laws and a cessation of agitation for new laws."

"The above proposed plan to reduce the hump will not accomplish the purpose. The hump is composed of approximately 1,500 provisionals between the ages of 30 and 35."

J. A. G. D.

"Am in favor of promotion after stated number of years' service, but not service in each grade; that is, after so many years' total service he shall be promoted."

"I also favor immediate enactment of Sheppard-Wurzbach bill."

"Unless principle of (a) is adopted, I strongly favor revision of promotion list in any legislation to be enacted."

"Not in hump or affected by pending legislation except pay legislation. Favor Wurzbach bill."

Finance Dept.

"I favor more liberal use of Class B law."

"A solution benefitting all, and not a group, is my policy."

"One new bill to supplant all previous submitted bills."

Retired.

"I favor any changes that will allow the able and efficient officer to forge ahead."

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"Retired list should also benefit."

"All to secure a minimum flow of promotion—not to take the place of the present promotion system when that would result in more rapid flow."

"I consider enforced separation a betrayal of the confidence of the officer."

Of the 2,563 cards received this week, in the remarks at the bottom of the cards, 68 indicated their endorsement of revision of the promotion list, while 140 showed their opposition to such a measure.

Those in favor of the Furlow Air Corps bill numbered 140, the answers being entirely from officers in the Air Corps. Thirty-eight officers from different branches declared themselves in favor of the Black-McSwain measures with the Field Artillery in the lead as to the number of opinions indicated. Seven indicated for the Amended Furlow bill (Reed bill), and one officer endorsed the Wainwright bill.

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THE RECENT OUTBREAK in the Balkans is regarded by newspapers generally as a great danger to Europe's peace. Editors, recalling that the last war had its source in this region, speculate as to whether or not the present uprising will overflow its boundaries and embroil the rest of Europe. They hold that the intervention of France and England to uphold the peace of the country, may carry with it the remaining spark needed to set off a Balkan explosion.

THE *New York Herald-Tribune* (Independent Republican) comments: "Sofia dispatches report that Great Britain and France have been forced to intervene again to check trouble in the Balkans, caused by those persistent trouble makers, the Macedonian nationalist secret organizations. * * * Its members are chiefly Bulgars of race, but have in mind the creation of an independent Macedonia, pieced together out of territory belonging to the three nations mentioned. Naturally, anything that embroils these three powers is welcome to the Macedonian agitators. * * * The present difficulties may be patched up by negotiation. But the status quo in the Balkans will continue to be threatened so long as the Macedonian secret organizations are able to resist dissolution, to finance themselves and to find ardent supporters in the Macedonian mountain strongholds for their revolutionary propaganda."

THE *Philadelphia Inquirer* (Republican) says: "What to do with Macedonia is not the least difficult of the Balkan problems. The Macedonians occupy territory divided among Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, and Greece. They have had no government of their own since Roman times, although they have long demanded one; they have been passed from one ruler to another times innumerable. * * * The present situation in Sofia arises out of the threats of the Macedonian leader, to come to the capital and murder his enemies there. It is more serious by reason of the fact that some of the Ministers are more or less in sympathy with Michailoff and believe that he does not desire independence for Bulgarian Macedonia, but only autonomous government. * * * Michailoff's present move seems to be an attempt to terrorize the government at Sofia into making this offer good with reference to the action of other nations."

THE *Philadelphia Public Ledger* (Republican) remarks: "Political murders and factional gun fights in the capital city of Bulgaria are not so uncommon as to cause, in themselves, grave alarm. But there is always a chance that such sparks might set off a Balkan explosion. And any possibility of a Balkan explosion naturally makes all Europe a bit nervous. * * * But even more important is the fact that all these Balkan countries have their Macedonians and their anti-Macedonians. So there is always a fear that the quarrel may cross national boundaries and that the cockpit of Europe may live up to its reputation. Balkan political conflicts are seldom mere shufflings for advantage. They take on a life-and-death coloring from the blood of many generations. This powerful predisposition to feudism, one of the important contributing causes of the World War, still remains a sore spot for which civilization has found no remedy."

THE *Washington Post* (Republican) believes: "In Bulgaria the leader of the belligerent faction of the Macedonian party has threatened to go to the capital with his troops and murder his enemies. * * * The world cannot forget that the great struggles of recent times have been engendered in the disputes of the Balkans and their neighbors. Many of these people are still in upheaval and the situations they create remain a serious menace to the world. * * * It is evident that the people of the earth have a long struggle ahead before the elimination of revolution can be hoped for. In revolutions lie the possibilities of serious conflicts."

THE *New York Sun* (Republican) writes: "It is one of Bulgaria's misfortunes that with its burdens of reconstruction after the World War it had to shoulder the chief responsibility for the Macedonian revolutionists. This is a heritage of trouble which a more prosperous State than Bulgaria would hesitate to accept. * * * The acquisition of Sofia by the Macedonian revolutionists would not avail them much beyond a display of their power. The tactics on which the two rival camps agreed was the stirring up of a European conflict of which Macedonia would be the center and which would furnish to the world a practical proof of the danger of leaving Macedonia in its old role of trouble maker. * * * The one regret that the world is likely to show is that Bulgaria has them to struggle with in its creditable efforts at reconstruction."

Army Annual Reports Made

THE annual reports of Assistant Secretaries of War Robbins and Davison and the Chief of Staff, The Adjutant General and The Surgeon General were released to the press this week by the War Department. Given below are some of the salient extracts from these reports:

ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROBBINS Procurement Plans

Three methods suggest themselves for the prevention of a famine in strategic raw materials in case of a national emergency: The augmentation of a domestic supply, the development of a substitute of domestic origin, and the purchase and storage of reserve stocks large enough to be drawn on over a period during which imports are likely to be cut off.

In the 1927-28 course at the Army Industrial College, 36 officers were graduated and for the 1928-29 course 40 enrolled, including officers from the Navy, Marine Corps, and the line of the Army. Although the college is growing in enrollment each year, it is not up to capacity because of the inability of the supply branches to furnish their full quota on account of shortage of personnel.

It is estimated that approximately 5,800 Reserve officers will be required for procurement duty during a major emergency. More than 2,800 of this number have been selected and notified of assignment. During the year 541 officers were called to active duty with the procurement branches and 64 in this office, which was an increase of nearly 10 per cent over last year for the branches and 28 per cent for this office. This increase, especially for the branches, is not sufficient. These officers should be called to active service every two years.

In earlier paragraphs of this section of the report attention has been called to the crying need which exists for a specific defense plan. In the last annual report a recommendation was made that a board be appointed to determine our war-time munition needs. Of course, such a determination would involve the preparation of a specific defense plan upon which to base a computation of requirements. If the appointment of such a board is not deemed advisable, it is strongly recommended that the War Department and the Navy Department jointly prepare for the approval of the President and presentation to the Congress a specific project for the defense of this country from attack by any enemy coalition of enemies which might arise. Such a project should take into account our geographical isolation, the initial resistance of our Navy, the present size of our Army, the strength of our man power, and the stage of our industrial development. It should give consideration to the time needed for training troops, the initial rate of production of munitions, the period required for industry to come into mass production for war, and the necessary war reserves of finished articles and raw materials. The project should contemplate only such action as would suffice to protect this country during the period of mobilization and training of man power and industry. The board preparing such a project should include representatives from the office of the Assistant Secretary of War and those supply branches of the Army and Navy charged with the procurement of critical supplies as well as the purely combatant branches. It is believed that if a reasonable defense project is prepared the financial program necessary to carry it out will not be excessive and will be such as will receive the approval and support of the Congress.

The recommendations made in the last annual report concerning increases in personnel, the educational orders bill, training under the act of June 8, 1924, and the

High Lights From Annual Reports

FOLLOWING are salient excerpts from the annual reports released by the War Department this week:

Hon. C. B. Robbins, Assistant Secretary of War: "Although ten years have passed since the war, little real progress has been made toward placing our war-reserve stocks on a sound and enduring basis. Requirements are still in a state of flux, surpluses and deficits largely a matter of conjecture or opinion, influenced by various points of view. * * * There is no common meeting ground with the Congress, no approved yardstick."

Hon. F. Trubee Davison, Assistant Secretary of War: "The most pressing problem in the Air Corps is the question of the promotion of officers. No other branch of the Army is as adversely affected as the Air Corps by the so-called 'World War Hump.' In addition to that, junior officers are performing duties all out of proportion to their rank and frequently they are of a very hazardous character. The result is that the officer morale is seriously impaired."

Maj. Gen. C. P. Summerall, Chief of Staff: "The ultimate purpose of military training is an effectiveness in war which assures the best utilization of the military forces for the security of our people and the early restoration of peace. * * *

Maj. Gen. Lutz Wahl, The Adjutant General of the Army: "As a result of the precautions taken, the percentage of desertions during the year again showed a decrease, having been 5.81 per cent as compared with 6.07 per cent for the previous fiscal year."

Maj. Gen. M. W. Ireland, The Surgeon General of the Army: "Despite the handicap of shortage of personnel and consequent overwork, all officers of the Medical Department have put forth most commendable efforts to keep abreast of the progress being made in their respective professions."

detail of officers to duty with industrial plants are continued.

National Guard

"The strength of the National Guard on June 30, 1928, was 12,244 officers, 184 warrant officers, and 168,793 enlisted men, an aggregate of 181,221. During the fiscal year 1928 there was an increased attendance at armory drill and field training, the increase in the latter being approximately 7,000 over that for 1927. This growing attendance at armory and field training is indicative of added interest and a more stabilized personnel."

"The outstanding deficiency mentioned in the report of my predecessor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927, i. e., the unsatisfactory state of organization of many of the important combat elements, will be corrected in part with the operation of the program which has been approved for the limited development of the National Guard during the fiscal years 1929 and 1930. This program provides for the organization of 18 additional headquarters and 78 additional units with a total aggregate strength of 188,000 in 1929 and 190,000 in 1930."

"While the National Guard is better equipped than ever before in its history, effort is being made to provide a more satisfactory uniform than that now being supplied from war stocks. A plan has been proposed by the Chief of the Militia Bureau for the acquisition during 1930 of sufficient woolen uniforms of the roll-collar type. The completion of this program at the earliest practicable date will have a most favorable effect on the contentment, morale and efficiency of the National Guard."

Organized Reserves

"Gratifying progress has been made during the past year in the development of an efficient Reserve Corps. Corps area commanders and Regular Army officers of their commands have shown a marked interest in this component of our Army, and the result is evidenced by an increasing desire on the part of Reserve officers to avail themselves of the military training offered by the War Department. The operation of the recently adopted policies has given satisfaction and will undoubtedly increase the efficiency of the corps and provide a normal, healthy flow of promotion for Re-

serve officers who keep up their military training."

"Conference courses have been well attended. Reserve officers often travel long distances to attend these conferences and show great interest in the work."

"In so far as appropriations permit, each Reserve officer should be given active-duty training in summer camps at least once in three years. Approximately 20,000 Reserve officers received active-duty training during the year. The continued development of friendly and cordial relations between Regular Army officers and Reserve officers has brought about an increased desire on the part of the latter to attend the summer camps and to take advantage of the instruction given."

ASSISTANT SECRETARY DAVISON

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"I referred in my last annual report to the effort being made to carry out the first increment of the Air Corps 5-year program, provided by the act of July 2, 1926. That program can be smoothly and efficiently carried to completion if sufficient funds are made available and the legal obstacles are removed which complicate the personnel situation. The fulfillment of the 5-year program is the first objective of the Air Corps, and its realization is of fundamental importance."

"The period covered by the first of the five annual increments concluded on June 30, 1928. It is now possible to say how nearly the War Department was successful in its effort to carry out the first increment of that program. The program is

divisible into two logical sections—namely, personnel and materiel. The first increment of the program required that there be on hand or on order at the conclusion thereof 1,186 airplanes. There were actually on hand 939 airplanes, and 137 planes on order.

"The program required at the conclusion of the first increment 1,100 officers. There were in the Air Corps at the conclusion of the first increment 1,014 officers. The first increment of the program called for 9,599 enlisted men. There were actually in the Air Corps at the conclusion 9,514. During the fiscal year just closed, about one-fifth of the permanent housing required for Air Corps enlisted men was completed of the total required at the conclusion of the five-year program. Less than one one-hundred-and-fiftieth of the permanent housing for officers was constructed during the fiscal year 1928, which the Air Corps should have at the conclusion of the five-year program. About one one-hundredth of the total construction required for noncommissioned officers at the conclusion of the five-year program was completed during the fiscal year 1928. It will be seen, therefore, that whereas the personnel and plane parts of the program for the first increment were practically completed, the housing and technical construction fell far behind."

"The first increment of the program called for 110 Air Corps Reserve officers on duty with Air Corps tactical units. Only 65 Reserve officers were called to duty with tactical units for a period of one year. The reason for not calling the full number was entirely due to the shortage of planes and to the shortage of quarters at the Air Corps stations. It was necessary to disapprove the applications of about three out of four Reserve officers who applied for such training. There would have been no difficulty whatever in securing 110 Reserve officers who were thoroughly qualified for the year's active duty, but it was not considered economical to call them to such duty due to the shortage of planes and the fact that it would have been necessary to place them on commutation status. "Our experience with the first increment of the program indicates that there is a shortage of aircraft. It now seems that the complete program should call for 2,400 planes rather than 1,800. However, before submitting a definite recommendation for an increase, one year's additional experience is desired in carrying out the second increment. A shortage of planes under the program is even more serious than a shortage of personnel. One of the fundamental reasons underlying this proposition is made clear in that there is a reserve of pilot personnel in the Air Corps Reserve, whereas nowhere is there a reserve of planes. Likewise, whereas it only requires a few months, at most, to make up any deficit in personnel after an emergency has arisen, it takes from 1 year to 18 months to build aircraft in numbers sufficient to meet our requirements."

Liberty Motors

"Motor development in the Air Corps has been seriously handicapped by the fact that thousands of Liberty motors were left over from the war. There are still over 3,000 on hand."

"These motors were designed over 10 years ago. They are now 10 years old. During that decade there has been an enormous advance in design and construction. The Liberty motor is unreliable, inefficient, and uneconomical compared with modern motors, and Congress should not be asked to appropriate any more funds for planes equipped with them. They should be eliminated as rapidly as possible."

Summary of Operations

"A total of 182,903 aircraft hours were flown during the fiscal year. This was an increase of 40,000 hours over last year. This flying was made necessary by a heavy

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Army Legislation in House Is Discussed

By HON. JOHN M. MORIN,
Chairman, House Military Committee.

THE Committee on Military Affairs of the House devoted a great deal of time, thought, and study to the legislation which was before it during the first or long session of the 70th Congress. It will be remembered that during this session the Housing Program for the Army was carried forward by the Committee to the point where the authorization bills for the fiscal year 1931 actually passed the House and are now pending in the Senate. The Committee is fully alive to the housing needs of the Army, but necessarily during the coming session will be concerned primarily with conferences on the housing bills which should, and I trust will, pass the Senate early in the session.

Promotion Bills Pending.

It will also be remembered that during the long session the Committee devoted a great deal of time to the subject of Promotion and Retirement. The so-called Furlow Bill for the promotion of Air Corps officers passed the House and is now in the Senate. The so-called Wainwright Bill, with the McSwain amendment, which provides for the promotion of officers of all other branches of the Army, was reported out of our Committee and is now on the Calendar of the House. During the last session many other measures of importance to the Army were considered and acted upon by the Military Affairs Committee; and passed by the House.

Officers of the Army will remember that each Committee of the House has two days called Calendar Wednesdays, on which bills from the Committee have precedence over all other matters before the House. The Military Affairs Committee had its two Wednesdays near the end of the last session of Congress, and our Committee will not be reached again during the coming short session. This means that no time will be set aside

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Meet on Simonds' Plan

OVERWHELMING sentiment in the Infantry and Cavalry in support of the Simonds' principles was reported by Brig. Gen. George S. Simonds, representing the Infantry and Col. W. W. Gordon, representing the Cavalry, at a meeting of Presidents and Representatives of the Arm and Branch Associations held in Washington, D. C. on Nov. 28. The meeting was for the purpose of securing a preliminary report on the opinions expressed in the various branches on the Simonds' proposals.

About 1,600 officers of the Infantry responded, General Simonds announced and an analysis of these communications has been made at Infantry Association Headquarters. More are coming in and until the response is practically complete it is not expected that a detailed analysis will be made public. The letters received included views on other subjects which were considered by the writers to be of importance.

Col. W. W. Gordon of the Cavalry stated that about 200 officers of the Cavalry had been heard from and that results of the analysis were practically

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Marine Bill Hearings Start

HEARINGS on the Marine Corps Personnel Bill, "to regulate the distribution and promotion of commissioned officers of the Marine Corps, and for other purposes," introduced at the last session of Congress, were begun November 30, before the House Naval Affairs Committee.

Preceding the hearings, there was considerable discussion over the advisability of going ahead with the hearings at this time, due to the lack of a quorum, but the Committee finally decided to proceed.

Prepared statements were read to the Committee by Maj. Gen. J. A. Lejeune, Major General Commandant of the Corps, and Brig. Gen. Ben Fuller, Assistant to the Commandant and Senior Member of the Promotion Board.

General Lejeune stated to the Committee that Major Keyser and Captain Collier, both members of the Promotion Board, were available to answer any technical questions. Following the testimony of the two witnesses, General Lejeune submitted a copy of five suggested amendments to the bill, intended to make

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Navy Pay Situation Shows Need of Relief

By CAPT. E. R. WILSON, (S.C.), U.S.N.
Member, Navy Pay Board.

IN civil life the greater the return to the employer resulting directly from the effort of the employee, the larger is his share of the earnings of the employer returned to him as compensation for his work. The greatest return is made to him who is able to plan the work of subordinates and direct them in executing his plans.

The Joint Services Pay Act of June 10, 1922, fails entirely in this respect. Not only is it possible for junior officers to receive a higher compensation for less responsible duties than that paid their executive directors, (this condition not in all cases due to the larger allowances granted to officers having dependents), but due to the possibility of officers of several ranks being allowed the same total compensation, and comparatively small increases over this amount paid to officers of flag rank, proper financial recognition of the duties entailing the highest responsibility of Naval command is lacking.

Glaring Errors Made.

One of the glaring errors made by the framers of this legislation was attempting to save the pay some of the officers in the service were receiving at the time of the passage of the act and giving substantial increases to other favored groups at the expense of those officers who were to come into service in the future, or who were then serving in the junior ranks.

Prior service, actual and constructive, enlisted or commissioned, though allowed in computing the pay increments and pay periods of the officers then in the service, was to be denied to all ranks commissioned after that date.

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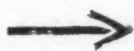
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- (d) Do you favor a separate bill to secure passage of these principles? YES..... NO.....

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First Division Notes

TUESDAY, Nov. 27, the Division Commander, Brig. Gen. H. A. Drum, decorated Col. F. W. Scheindenhelm, Eng-Ros., with the D. S. M. for conspicuous service overseas during the World War. A review of the 18th Infantry followed the presentation.

The D. S. C. was presented to Mr. Donald H. Grant by the Commanding Officer, Ft. Ontario, N. Y., at a review of the 3d Bat., 28th Inf., held at Fort Ontario, N. Y., Nov. 9, 1928.

The Chief of Infantry Combat Squad of the 26th Infantry competition recently closed. Company "F" entry was the winner with a score of 1,066.

The Commanding Officer, 25th Inf., is holding a competition to determine the lieutenant, sergeant, and corporal best qualified in the minor tactics of small units. This is one of many similar competitions being carried on throughout the Division.

CONTRACT AWARDED.

The Quartermaster General announces that a contract has been awarded to Murch Brothers Construction Company at St. Louis, Mo., in the sum of \$272,000 for the construction of nurses' quarters at Walter Reed General Hospital. This will consist of the major part of what will be the west wing of the proposed complete Nurses' Quarters Building, which will provide accommodations for approximately 330, the portion now under contract providing for 115 nurses.

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Plan More C. P. Exercises

WITH the report at hand of the satisfactory completion of the Command Post Exercises recently held near San Antonio, Texas, and in which approximately 450 officers of all ranks of the Regular Army, National Guard and Organized Reserves participated, the War Department now plans to conduct similar exercises in four Corps Areas next year.

Brig. Gen. Frank Parker, Assistant Chief of Staff in charge of the Operations and Training Division of the War Department General Staff, was an observer at the exercises. General Parker commented as follows on the significance of the exercises with reference to the War Department system of troop training:

"It is the purpose of the War Department to parallel our school system by establishing a method of practical troop instruction which will develop our doctrines of strategy, tactics and combat in all the echelons of the organization of field forces."

"It is as necessary for the commander-in-chief, or the commander of a group of armies, or of an army, to know, by constant practice, his fronts and intervals, his depths and distances, the characteristics, powers and limitations, of his personnel and materiel as it is for the company commander to have that knowledge."

"The fire of the modern battlefield is that of a team of cannon, bomb, machine gun, automatic and rifle—a team in which the technique and tactics of the men are only the preparation for the team play of the combined arms. The first unit to combine the arms is the division—the great combat team—and a battle line is but a series of juxtaposed divisions, the fire of which is a superimposed and commingled system. They form the cutting edge of the tool, and their efficiency depends upon their ability to move, coordinate and direct their various weapons as a team."

"In the development of troop instruction, it is proposed to treat the division as the last unit, the ascending scale, where the presence of the troops—personnel and materiel—is necessary for proper team training."

"From the corps upward, the fire of adjacent units is largely juxtaposed, and the principal duties of the commanders are: to coordinate, to supply, and to reinforce their front line divisions. These are principally matters of orders to combat troops and to supply troops."

"It is evident that the troop commander's agencies for preparing and transmitting his orders become increasingly important as the echelon of command rises. Therefore, the presence of the commander, the staff (including the chiefs of the services who, in supply, correspond to the line commanders of combat troops) and a maximum representation of means of communication is necessary to a satisfactory exercise of this nature."

"There are, therefore, two distinct echelons in the higher training of our Army—(a) the general tactical (combined arms) training of our troops up to the echelon of the division, and

(b) the higher tactical training for command, staff and services in the echelons superior to the division."

"Up to the echelon of the division inclusive, training as a unit is essential; for the higher echelons only the command staff and services need be present, but they must have present for these exercises the means by which they exercise their functions, and they should exercise those functions under closely simulated campaign conditions. This will mean placing command posts where they would be under real conditions, and will call for the presence of the communication troops, airplanes, automobiles, sidecars and other communication agencies."

"To carry forward our work of military instruction to its logical goal we still have to take the following measures—

"Provision for terrain suitable to divisional training, where all divisional units will be trained in a division setting."

"Provision of means and materiel necessary to the installation and functioning of a system of command post exercises for the command, staff and services of the corps area, in the echelons above the division."

"It is evident that our small Regular Army can never be grouped by divisions and that with the exception of the Second Division and the First Cavalry Division, the Army will be distributed in posts containing: from a battalion to a regiment. These Regular units, as nuclei, with the neighboring National Guard and Organized Reserve units may well be organized into training groups of provisional divisions, and receive their annual instruction, ending with divisional training at least once in every three years."

"Our three components, under this system, will be doing what they will have to do immediately in event war is declared; get together, stay together and fight together."

"As to the tactical instruction for the units higher than the division, all troops within a corps area are to be considered as a single unit, and the command, staff and services down to and including the division are to be instructed as parts of that unit, or parts of hypothetical higher units."

"This proposed system not only provides tactical and combat instruction up to and including the last combat unit—the division—and tactical instruction for the higher units, but it brings the three components of our one army together, with the double advantage of the instructional value of the association with the regulars, for the civilian soldiery, and the psychological value of this association for promoting mutual understanding, respect and friendship."

Army Notes

THE Chief of Staff, Maj. Gen. C. P. Summerall, will leave Washington today for Germantown, Pa., where he will deliver the dedicatory address at the unveiling of a monument erected by the Philadelphia Chapter of the American War Mothers to those who served and those who died in the Great War.

Lt. Col. T. M. Knox, of the Quartermaster Corps, leaves today on a three months' furlough. He will visit his former station in Vancouver Barracks, Wash.

Following a 41-year custom of releasing on Thanksgiving Day a limited number of military prisoners whose conduct has been excellent and who have served material portions of their sentences, the War Department has selected eight prisoners for release this year.

In order to provide the Army with turkey for Thanksgiving dinner, as prescribed by regulation, approximately 196,000 pounds, nearly 100 tons, of turkey have been purchased. The dinner check to be paid by Uncle Sam amounts to \$90,000 for this one item alone. This means that 19,500 turkeys of average size have been bought.

Col. George A. Skinner, U. S. A., of Ft. Omaha, Nebr., Seventh Corps Area surgeon, recently delivered an address at a meeting of the Marshall County Medical Society at Marshallton, Iowa, on the subject "If War Comes." Col. Skinner has served in the Medical Department of the Army in five wars.

The 30th Infantry participating in the Northern California rifle championship matches, the most successful that have been held since 1921, won first place in the Tyro class and third place in the championships. The team was se-

Industrial College Active

A LECTURE was given at the Army Industrial College this week by Capt. G. R. Hartrick, O. D., on "Functions of the Priorities Section, O. A. S. W." Conferences on Problem No. 7, "Joint Army and Navy Board and Army and Navy Munitions Board," and Problem No. 8, "Relationship of the Assistant Secretary of War to the War Department General Staff," were held.

lected from the high scores of previous qualifications for record and "owing to the limited amount of ammunition available no practice or try outs were practicable."

Announcement was made by the War Department this week of the award of the Soldier's Medal to Cpl. C. H. Fox, D. E. M. L. for heroism while on recruiting duty in Newark, N. J., Oct. 12, 1928, when he intercepted and grappled and subdued a notorious gunman and escaped convict.

Headquarters Co., 17th Infantry, commanded by First Lt. Henry Du Pree, was awarded the Fredericksburg Guidon on Nov. 20. This trophy is competed for every two months, and for the past year it has not left the possession of Headquarters Co. The trophy is awarded for the highest standard in personal appearance, Military bearing, condition of small arms, parade equipment, and clothing.

When the Tripler Army Hospital in Hawaii was inspected recently by Maj. T. Barnes, C. W. S., and Maj. D. C. Cordiner, Q. M. C., it was infested with termites which were rapidly eating their way into the foundations of the building.

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RETROACTIVE CLAUSE FOR RETIRED OFFICERS IS URGED.

INCLUSION of a provision for promotion of Army officers retired since July 1, 1920, under provisions of promotion bills now pending before Congress, is being urged. Those retired prior to that date were retired under peace-time or equivalent conditions, it is pointed out, while those retired since have in many cases a sufficient number of years' service to have been eligible for promotion under the 3-10-17 year provisions of several pending bills, had they not been retired. The suggested provisions would affect only those officers who, upon retirement, have or will have completed sufficient commissioned service to entitle them to the pay of the next higher grade and to promotion to the next higher grade under the several service-in-grade bills which would benefit them had they remained on the active list.

TRAINING BUREAU FOR R. O. T. C.-C. M. T. C. SUGGESTED.

AMONG the suggestions which have been made on military legislation is a proposal to establish a Civilian Training Bureau, which would handle the administration of the C. M. T. C. and the R. O. T. C., and which would have as Chief of the Bureau a Regular Army officer with the rank of Major General. Under the proposed establishment of the Civilian Training Bureau Regular Army officers would be detailed to duty in the Bureau, and in addition the National Guard and Organized Reserves would be represented by having either one or two such officers detailed to act in an advisory capacity. The proposed bureau, it is stated, would help coordinate the work of Regular Army officers on duty with R. O. T. C. and C. M. T. C. Its proponents hold that this proposal does not conflict with the pending Reserve Division bill, since the Reed Reserve Division bill has been amended and does not now include provision for R. O. T. C. and C. M. T. C. supervision by the proposed Reserve Division. It is generally contended, however, that the administration of the R. O. T. C. should be vested in the Reserve Division when created.

FORTY-EIGHT OFFICERS RETURN FROM DUTY IN NICARAGUA.

THE Bluejacket Battalion composed of 19 officers and 277 enlisted men who have been in Nicaragua in connection with the elections have been ordered to return to the United States. In addition 22 officers attached to the Battle Fleet serving on temporary duty with National Board of Elections of Nicaragua, and 7 officers attached to the Scouting Fleet serving on temporary duty in Nicaragua will return at the same time.

The officers of the Bluejacket Battalion who will return are: Lt. Comdr. T. Shelly, commanding officer; Lt. L. Gorman; Lts. (jg.) H. F. Pullen, P. F. Dugan, E. T. Neale, H. B. Edgar, V. L. Pottle, and O. F. Gregor; Ensigns W. A. Saunders, J. F. Bowling, P. Henry, J. R. Simpson, J. R. Ewene, F. E. Cromwell, D. W. Shafer, A. Smith; Lt. (M. C.) W. R. Johnson, Ensign (S. C.) O. T. Rippey and Pay Ck. L. W. Haydon.

Those attached to the Battle Fleet are: Ensigns W. Loveland, E. C. Mayer, L. J. Knight, R. C. Brixner, B. C. Swinn, C. T. Caulfield, F. A. Berry, J. L. Bird, H. C. Ericson, O. K. O'Daniel, R. Hickox, R. B. Alderman, T. H. Kobey, A. J. Greenacre, M. R. Stone, P. L. Hich, J. G. Holloway, J. A. Jordan, A. B. Scoles, F. D. Overfelt, M. B. McCoy and J. C. Bernet.

The officers attached to the Scouting Fleet are: Ensigns L. S. Mewhinney, J. W. Slayden, E. N. Teall, R. D. Conrad, J. S. Detwiler, F. D. Giambattista, D. J. Weintraub. These officers will arrive Dec. 3 on the U. S. S. Vega, U. S. S. Kanawha, U. S. S. Cristobal, and other ships, and will disembark at the United States port nearest to their station ship.

NAVY SURGEON GENERAL APPOINTMENT PENDS.

FAILURE of Secretary Wilbur to announce the successor to Rear Adm. Edward R. Stitt (M. C.), U. S. N., as Surgeon General of the Navy before his departure for Philadelphia for the Thanksgiving holiday left the speculation over the vacancy running high. Capt. R. M. Kennedy, A. W. Dunbar, E. J. Grow and C. M. Oman, as well as several others, are all mentioned as possibilities.

Under the law Admiral Stitt, who finishes eight years as Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery on Nov. 30, can hold over for 30 days, and it is understood that the Secretary will name his successor shortly after his return.

On being relieved Admiral Stitt will be assigned to duty as inspector in charge of the West Coast naval medical activities.

HOUSING PROGRAM PROGRESS DRAWS EDITORS' PRAISE.

ALLEVIATION of existing Army housing conditions as a result of the carrying out of the program started in 1926, is drawing commendation from the press. The move to remedy the conditions by acquainting the public with the facts and securing the cooperation of Congress, was inaugurated by the *Army and Navy Journal* which published in 1925 the first articles and pictures depicting the shacks in which the Army was housed. These articles were followed by Congressional action laying the foundation for the present housing program.

The latest recognition accorded the importance of the movement and the excellent work done by the Construction Service of the Quartermaster Corps, appeared in the *Washington Post* this week. It said:

Since the beginning of the Army housing program in March, 1926, Congress has authorized for such construction a little over \$53,000,000, of which \$21,000,000 has been appropriated. This fund is being expended through the construction service of the Quartermaster Corps, of which Brig. Gen. William E. Horton is chief, and it will make possible new and improved housing for 1,190 officers, 1,355 noncommissioned officers, 25,415 enlisted men, 1,897 patients in hospitals and 311 nurses. In addition to the Army housing program, there are 49 miscellaneous construction projects amounting to over \$16,000,000 for which the money is now available. All of these but a few are under contract or under advertisement.

The construction service of the Quartermaster Corps has made steady progress with the construction program, wasting no time getting work under way as soon as the funds were made available. All of the 1927 housing program is either completed or in course of construction. The 1928 program is under contract or being advertised. The majority of the projects in the 1929 program are under contract or being advertised, and the balance will be placed under contract before the time arrives to take up the work of 1930. Living facilities and conditions in Army posts throughout the country are rapidly improving.

Through the three Divisions of the construction service—Engineering, Administrative and Real Estate—the problems of Army housing are being attacked from the scientific and esthetic standpoint. No longer is it considered that any sort of structure will do for the soldier. The modern concept is that his efficiency and morale are directly affected by the surroundings in which he spends his enlistment. The new Army posts are models of beauty and military convenience, each faithfully preserving the style of architecture peculiar to the region in which they are located. The construction service of the Quartermaster Corps is doing its work with great energy and efficiency.

U. S. N. A. GRADUATE ASSIGNED AS VICE CONSUL IN NEW ZEALAND.

THE announcement recently by the State Department that William P. Cochran, jr., of Pennsylvania, had been assigned as Vice Consul to Auckland, New Zealand, assures the Navy of another strong friend in the foreign service. "Bill" Cochran is a member of the Class of 1924, U. S. N. A., and was editor of the "Lucky Bag."

He attended the Foreign Service School in Washington, D. C., prior to his consular assignment. Incidentally, "Bill's" classmates are confident that his diplomatic ability will register strongly in the Foreign Service and that he will become a successful "career man." He expects to sail from San Francisco January 23, en route to his post.

ENGLAND ENSHRINES SWORD OF FIRST AMERICAN.

IN tribute to the memory of the first American to join the British military forces during the World War, England has placed the sword of Henry L. Butters, of San Francisco, Calif., in the Chapel of Beaumont School at Egham, Surrey, England. The first American to serve with British troops during the war, Henry Butters joined the Royal Field Artillery in 1914 and was killed eighteen months later.

BRITTEN SUGGESTION HELD "MEAT" FOR PROPAGANDISTS.

THE suggestion of Chairman Britten, House Naval Affairs Committee, that members of his Committee and a similar representation from the British Parliament meet to discuss Anglo-American naval relations has met with strong criticism here. It is held to give the British an excellent opportunity, which they have already seized, to disseminate "propaganda" antagonistic to action on the pending cruiser bill by hinting that an agreement is "possible."

It will be recalled, that, prior to the original limitation of arms conference, the British Government was unable to agree to anything like "paper parity" until it was convinced that this Government intended to build for its needs. In all subsequent conferences, the opposition of Britain to any further agreement was based on the belief that the United States would never build what it actually needed in the way of cruisers. Realizing the import of the President's strong utterance on the subject and the temper of Congress, the suggestion made by Mr. Britten is being hailed with fervor in England.

Although no official or semi-official comment, except the declaration of Senator Swanson, ranking minority member of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, has been voiced, there is much unofficial discussion. Although Mr. Britten's plan may have been well-intended, it is considered by many familiar with the situation to hold possibilities of reaction disastrous to the interests of the United States.

In an interview on Nov. 29, Mr. Britten, commenting on British press reports, declared that the result of his communication with the Premier would be a conference and it was very apparent that the people of both countries wanted an agreement.

JAMES PLANS BILL FOR DEFENSE DEPARTMENT.

ACCORDING to current reports on the "Hill," Representative W. Frank James, of Michigan, ranking member of the House Military Committee, plans to renew his fight for a Department of National Defense this session by introducing a bill to create such a department, when Congress convenes. In a recent press statement he was quoted as declaring five year air program was "out of date" and that we should have 5,000 by 1933 to keep abreast of developments. He also asserted that the air forces should be under one head and detailed with the Army and Navy as required. He favors a single purchasing bureau of all branches of the military service which he declares would save millions of dollars by eliminating duplication. Mr. James is visiting Mitchel Field and Fort Slocum over the week-end.

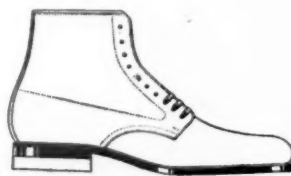
SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS' HEARINGS PROGRESS.

THE members of the sub-committee on military appropriations of the House Committee on Appropriations have been holding hearings since November 15 on the Army Appropriations Bill, as previously announced in the *Army and Navy Journal*. Indications are that the Army Appropriation Bill will be reported out of committee on schedule, about the first of the year. Among those appearing before the committee this week were Assistant Secretary of War Davison and Maj. Gen. J. E. Fechet, U. S. A., Chief of the Air Corps.

ARMY TRAP DRUMMERS CALLED "MOST EQUIPPED SOLDIERS."

A recent analysis made in the Office of the Q. M. General indicates that trap drummers of regimental and garrison bands are the most equipped soldiers in the Army. In addition to the usual soldier's equipment, such as belt, mess kit, canteen, weapons, haversack and shelter tent, the trap drummer also has the following items with which to concern himself: Snare drum, triangle, triangle beater, muffer and strainer, drum sling, drum stand, cow bawl, sleigh bell, wood block, castanet, cuckoo, Chinese cymbals, imitation railroad, adjustable rattle, slap sticks, tambourine, Chinese tom-tom, canary whistle, locomotive whistle, steamboat whistle and steam exhaust whistle. While he does not carry all of these so-called musical instruments, he is charged with the care of them and must be an expert in the use of each.

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Marine Bill Hearings Start

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the changes conform more closely to the Navy.

The Committee began its questioning of General Lejeune, covering a number of points in the bill, one of them being the proposal to increase the number of Marine General officers by two.

It was not anticipated that the hearings would be completed at the first meeting but the indications are that the Committee will report favorably on the measure early during the coming session.

Maj. Gen. John A. Lejeune made the following statement to the Committee yesterday morning:

When the Marine Corps was reorganized in 1921, following the World War, and the active list of commissioned officers permanently adjusted, no provision was made at that time to assure a reasonable progression through the various grades and to avoid the stagnation that was inevitable unless positive measures to correct it were taken. As a result, the condition became more apparent as the years passed by, and I became convinced about two and a half years ago that a correction of this condition was an urgent necessity, as, unless rectified, the situation would each year grow steadily worse. This conviction was strengthened by letters I received and discussions I held with a number of our most efficient officers. This menacing situation I found to be inherent in the system of promotion in effect in the Marine Corps at the present time, and in order to correct it, it would be necessary to make a radical change in the system.

After consultation with a number of our officers, I decided to convene a board of officers to make a study of the whole personnel situation so far as it pertained to officers, and to submit recommendations thereon. A board of seven officers and a recorder, instead of a small board, was decided upon so that all groups or grades of officers might have representation on it. Brig. Gen. Ben H. Fuller was selected as the senior member of the board. He has had over forty-three years' naval service. Col. H. C. Reisinger, Assistant Paymaster, represented the permanent staff officers; Col. D. C. McDougal, the line colonels; Lt. Col. R. B. Creecy, the line lieutenant colonels and the staff as well, as he is at present serving on a detail in the Adjutant and Inspector's Department; Maj. R. S. Keyser, the line majors; Maj. E. H. Brainard, aviation; Capt. Charles Ubel, the group of former warrant and non-commissioned officers who received their commissions during the World War; and Capt. E. F. C. Collier, the recorder, represented the officers appointed from civil life during the war.

The board was convened in September, 1926, made a careful and detailed study and analysis of the personnel situation, and submitted a proposed bill and a discussion thereof in February, 1927. Copies of the bill and of the discussion were sent to every officer in the Marine Corps with the request that they make a careful study of the provisions of the bill and of its explanation, and submit to the board direct suggestions as they might desire to make. A number of communications were received from the officers of the Corps in regard to the proposed bill, all of which were studied when received by the individual members of the board. In September, 1927, the board was reconvened for the purpose of revising the bill and its report, giving due weight to the opinions and suggestions obtained from

Navy Supply Corps

OFFICERS of the Supply Corps and Pay Clerks will change stations and duties as follows:

Comdr. W. R. Van Buren to add. duty as Member, Navy Section, Army and Navy Munitions Board, Navy Department, as the relief of Capt. L. W. Jennings; Lt. H. W. McGrath to the U. S. S. Utah, relieving Lt. J. Chapman. Lt. Chapman will go to the Nav. Hosp., New York, for treatment. Lts. J. M. Easter, to U. S. S. Relief; and A. H. White to U. S. S. Texas as Assts. for Disbursing, Dec. 1.

the service at large. As a result, it submitted a revised bill, containing a number of changes, all in the direction of improvements.

This bill, together with the report of the board, was submitted by me to the Secretary of the Navy in November, 1927, with my approval. It was approved by the Secretary after a study of it had been made by the Judge Advocate General's Office, and was transmitted to the Bureau of the Budget the latter part of the same month. A number of conferences were held by me and by representatives of the Bureau of the Budget, and the whole matter was very carefully explained and discussed at great length. These conferences were joint conferences and were participated in by representatives of the Navy Department also in connection with the Navy personnel bill.

An agreement could not be reached with the Bureau of the Budget concerning certain features of the proposed bills, and finally, in May, 1928, modified bills were submitted by the Secretary of the Navy to the Budget from which the sections in disagreement had been eliminated. The modified bills received the approval of the Bureau of the Budget, were stated to be in accord with the fiscal policy of the administration, and were transmitted to the House Committee on Naval Affairs in May, 1928.

As a result of my study of the personnel situation in the summer of 1928, I became thoroughly convinced that the only sound solution of the difficult question was the adoption of a system of promotion by selection, combined with the separation from the active list of officers not recommended for promotion. I reached this conclusion reluctantly, but I am certain that if the problem is to be solved, it must be solved in this way.

An examination of the Navy and Marine Corps lists as they stand today shows that in every grade our officers are several years behind their contemporary officers in the Navy so far as promotion is concerned. The junior officers of the several grades of the Navy and Marine Corps were graduated from the Naval Academy or commissioned in the Marine Corps as of the following dates:

Captain, U. S. N.	1905
Colonel, U. S. M. C.	1906
Commander, U. S. N.	1910
Lieutenant Colonel, U. S. M. C.	1904
Lieutenant Commander, U. S. N.	1917
Major, U. S. M. C.	1914
Lieutenant, U. S. N.	1922
Captain, U. S. M. C.	1917
Lieutenant (j.g.) U. S. N.	1925
First Lieutenant, U. S. M. C.	1922

Unless a remedy be found, this discrepancy will increase as each year goes by owing to the different systems of promotion in effect in the two services. The Navy has promotion by selection, with elimination in the grades of captain, commander and lieutenant commander. The Marine Corps still has the old system of promotion by seniority, without elimination, in all grades except that of colonel.

This disparity with the Navy, however, is not in itself the most menacing feature of the personnel situation in the Marine Corps. That feature is the condition within the Corps which must inevitably result under existing laws. During the last six years the following average rates of advancement in the several grades have taken place each year:

Lieutenant Colonels	4 files
Majors	6 files
Captains	12 files
First Lieutenants	24 files

If these rates continue, it means that the junior officers of the several grades will be promoted to the next higher grades only after the following length of service in the present grades:

Lieutenant Colonels	11 years
Majors	20 years
Captains	26 years
First Lieutenants	12 years

It is probable that these rates will be somewhat expedited owing to the increased age of our officers, but at best we cannot hope for anything other than a hopeless stagnation of promotion, so that by the year 1950 all officers of the rank of captain and above will be 50 years of age.

About that time, too, officers will be passing from the active list so rapidly that many officers will pass through two or even three of the senior ranks in as many years; while many others will never reach higher rank than that of major. They will be old men who will have spent their entire careers in subordinate positions. The Corps will be officered by old men and, paradoxical as it may seem, the upper ranks will have had but little training and experience in the duties of those ranks. If that condition be allowed to take place, the efficiency of the Marine Corps will be so lowered as to make it impossible for the Corps to carry out the very arduous duties in either peace or war which have been entrusted to it.

The service now being performed in Nicaragua, and which has previously been performed in Haiti and other countries, requires vigorous, active, young company officers. The company officer must not only march with his men and suffer the same hardships that they do, but he also has im-

Civil Engineer Corps

L. T. A. Martin, jr. has been assigned to duty at the Naval Station, Guam.

The Naval Examining Board has reported that Lieutenant (j.g.) Henry P. Needham is qualified for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant, and that Ens. R. F. Armknecht, C. C. Seabury, W. Sihler, and V. B. Howard are qualified for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant (j.g.).

Plans and specifications for the construction of six apartment buildings at the Naval Air Station, Coco Solo, C. Z. are now being issued, and it is expected that the award on this contract will be made early in January.

mediate personal charge of their military operations. Only young men can successfully perform these duties. Furthermore, in order to perform successfully the duties of the higher grades, it is necessary that officers should reach these grades after a suitable length of service. If they remain too long in the lower grades, they lose their interest and their initiative suffers. Too long a period in the lower grades is just as injurious to the efficiency of senior officers as too short a period.

In addition, there is necessarily a very marked difference in the qualifications and performance of duties of different officers, yet under our system of promotion by seniority there is no reward in the way of advancement for the most efficient. They suffer as much stagnation as the least efficient. No opportunity is given to the exceptionally capable officer that is not given to the mediocre officer. There is no inducement offered, other than a sense of duty, to encourage officers to make themselves efficient. The tendency of such a system is to produce mediocrity. I cannot see any escape from the conclusion that in order to provide an efficient corps of officers for the performance of the important duties entrusted to the Marine Corps, there must be more rapid advancement of the most efficient, and separation from the active list of the least efficient.

My first thought in endeavoring to find a solution for the promotion problem in the Marine Corps was, if practicable, to adopt the system which has been in vogue in the line of the Navy since 1916, as modified in the bill drawn up by a board of line officers of the Navy and which has recently been considered by this Committee, with a few modifications to make it applicable to our Corps. On studying the matter, however, I found that the situation in the Marine Corps officer personnel was so different from that of the line of the Navy, owing to the lack of uniformity in the number of officers commissioned each year, and to the great disparity of ages of the officers, that I concluded that it would be impracticable to adopt the Navy bill. The board also gave extended consideration to this same subject and arrived at the same conclusion.

The board, after consultation with me, then decided to adopt the basic principles of the line personnel bill of the Navy as its guide, but to make such changes in the details of the bill as were necessary in order to make it fit existing conditions in the Marine Corps. In other words, our aim was to reach the same objective by a slightly different route. The basic principles which I have just referred to are as follows:

(a) Distribution in the various ranks in accordance with the necessary duty assignments in the Corps, allowing also for a reasonable progression through the various ranks for officers of demonstrated efficiency.

(b) Promotion after a reasonable length of service in each grade.

(c) Fair rates of compensation according to rank and length of service for officers involuntarily separated from the active list.

(d) A regular and controlled rate of promotion.

(e) Promotion by selection, combined with elimination each year of a sufficient number to provide the requisite flow of promotion.

The bill now before the Committee has been drawn in accordance with these basic principles, and if it be enacted into law I feel certain it will remedy to a great extent the present stagnation of promotion and the other defects which I have briefly outlined. The present system is also an uneconomical one owing to the fact that the present pay law bases the compensation paid to officers to a greater extent on length of service than on the grades in which they are serving. The cost of the active list under the present system has been increasing annually and will continue to increase for about 20 years. The elimination required by the proposed law will result in reducing the average length of service of our officers and will therefore materially reduce this increase. This reduction will be more than sufficient to absorb the increased cost of the retired list due to the transfer of additional officers to that list. In other words, the proposed bill would increase efficiency and decrease cost. I earnestly recommend its enactment into law.

Navy Notes

THE cruiser Cleveland has been placed at the disposal of President-elect Hoover for his visit to Guayaquil, Ecuador. The U. S. S. Maryland expects to anchor on the morning of Dec. 1 south of Puna Islands, Ecuador, 16 miles distant. Mr. Hoover's party plans to arrive at Guayaquil on Dec. 1 and return to the U. S. S. Maryland the next day, dependent upon tide conditions. The cruiser Cleveland is on duty with the Special Service Squadron on duty in Central American waters.

In an article on the Anglo-French and Anglo-American rivalry by Rear Adm. C. M. Chester, U. S. N., Ret., he comments on documents issued by Ramsay MacDonald, leader of the British Labor Party, and the British pact with France.

The "Save Old Ironsides," drive which was begun in March, 1925, had accumulated in Nov. 23, a total of \$593,292.81.

Rear Adm. J. L. Latimer, U. S. N., Commandant of the 4th Naval District, Philadelphia, who was Commander of the Special Service Squadron on duty in Central America, exchanged greetings with President-elect Jose Maria Moncada of Nicaragua on the occasion of Mr. Hoover's visit.

Lt. Comdr. P. Cassard, member of the American naval mission to Brazil and an aerial instructor with the Brazilian fleet, was slightly injured during maneuvers this week by the premature explosion of an aerial bomb which killed two Brazilian officers and wounded three others.

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"There appears throughout the naval service not only complete agreement as to existing conditions but a unanimity of opinion as to the remedy."—McNAMEE PAY BOARD REPORT.

A VITAL SESSION of Congress for the Army and Navy will open on Monday next. There will come up for immediate consideration:

1. Necessary increase of pay, demanded by conditions as described in the report of the McNamee Board.
2. Correction of the promotion situation primarily in the Army and the Marine Corps.
3. Adoption of the Naval Shipbuilding Program.

There should be no delay in favorable action upon these three matters. All are essential to efficient and effective National Defense.

IT CONTINUES A matter of regret to us that the Army fails to investigate and report on its pay situation as was done by the Navy at the instigation of Secretary Wilbur. Unwillingness to criticize even suggestively the policy of economy of the President undoubtedly was responsible. Mr. Wilbur allowed no such consideration to prevent his action. But while an official Army move is lacking, the fact remains that the pay situation of the junior commissioned grades and the noncommissioned grades is deplorable. We have presented facts in substantiation of this condition. The experience of the World War demonstrated the high value of junior officers and noncoms. "It is the much caricatured lieutenant who does most of the work in the higher command; he is not to be replaced," said a German war leader. He is right. The lower grades must be adequately compensated so that those comprising them may devote themselves whole-mindedly to the training of themselves and their subordinates.

ON PAGE 263 of this issue, we have made an appeal for expression on our promotion survey by the voice of the Army still silent. It is true that the responses we have received are widely representative. They indicate clearly the sentiment for and against the various principles under consideration.

But Congress wants more than representation, though extensive. It wants a complete exposition by the Army itself of its views on a matter so vital to its welfare and that of every officer holding a commission therein. Shall it be said at this session that a large proportion of the commissioned personnel does not know what it wants, if anything? If so, nothing will be done, and a tepid interest will be taken in the promotion matter in the next Congress. We cannot stress too emphatically the fact that the Capitol is watching the results of our survey with the closest attention. Every officer, therefore, who withholds his reply to our card, is jeopardizing not only his own interest but that of his fellow officers. By all means, send in that card!

ADMIRAL SCHEER, COMMANDER of the German High Seas Fleet in the Battle of Jutland, is dead. Thus disappears, in time of peace, the first of the great naval figures of a naval action stupendous in the number, character and weapons of the ships engaged, and the strength of, and valor displayed by, the personnel.

Scheer's possession of the qualities of leadership has never been questioned. For 18 months the German Fleet had pursued a policy of practical inaction. In spite of the insistence of von Tirpitz, the father of the German Navy, it had been withheld from attack. When, in January, 1916, Scheer assumed command, he took immediate and successful methods to restore morale. Confident of his personnel, certain of his material, Scheer put to sea. Learning of the cruiser fight between Beatty and Hipper, he correctly deduced the imminence of battle with Jellicoe's Grand Fleet, tremendously his superior in numbers, tonnage, speed and gunpower. As Winston Churchill wrote, he "fought skillfully and well." He made "his escape from the grip of overwhelming forces, and in so doing inflicted heavier loss in ships and men than he himself received." Twice he escaped the jaws of the British trap by coolly executing the turn about maneuver in which the German Fleet had been trained. When the morning after the action dawned, the British Fleet was not in sight. Scheer returned to port, and with his return, save for one later abortive cruise, the activity of the High Seas Fleet ceased. That this was due to the timorousness of the Kaiser, Grand Admiral von Tirpitz proclaimed. Indeed this bold seaman went further. He charged that Bethmann, The Chancellor, "and the whole bunch of diplomats want to sell the fleet at the conclusion of the peace to England; that is the whole secret." When the war ended the Fleet was delivered, as von Tirpitz feared.

TO OUR MIND, the battle of Jutland, recalled by the death of the able Scheer, points a lesson we must not forget. Superior fleets by their mere existence exercise a tremendous influence upon events. It was not necessary for Jellicoe to destroy the German Navy. Concentrated at Scapa Flow, his was the force which dominated the seas, and constituted the noose that strangled Germany. President Coolidge has declared there shall be no fleet superior to that of the United States. In his annual message he will recommend that Congress adopt the program approved by the House. No patriot can oppose his recommendation.

THE LEAGUE AT GENEVA is publishing statistics showing larger annual appropriations for armaments by every nation. Europe, which means England and France particularly, are busy in this connection. The two nations named recently entered into a naval agreement. Against whom and why?

No wonder Mr. Coolidge spoke so plainly about the use of American money for the increase of foreign armaments!

Service Humor RENO-VATED.

"The Colonel's wife used to be a peach."

"She still is. She's a peach o' Reno."

ALSO D—NS HIS SOCKS.

"Well, Sergeant, did you marry that girl of yours, or do you still darn your own socks?"

"Yes."

ANOTHER UPSET.

The Girl (at football game)—That's Cadet Smith—number six—oh, no, that's number nine; I read him when he was upside down!

"C" THE DIFFERENCE.

Navy Wife (at Navy game): "Say, dear, what's the difference between a Chief Petty Officer and a policeman?"
Her Commander: "Give it up."

N. W.: One is a C. P. O., and the other is a COP."

THE FRESH THING!

1st Bluejacket: "Say—pipe the blonde over there giving us the eye!"

2d Bluejacket: "Lay off, Bo! That girl has jilted so many sailors that we call her Salt-shaker!"

—Sent by Mrs. H. A. F.

HOW DIVE-ERTING.

"Do you know any fancy dives?"

"Any fancy dives! Say, I have cards to them all."

—The Pointer.

GENERALITIES.

"The general was taken rather sick at the banquet last night."

"What from?"

"Oh, things in general, I suppose."

ALL FIVE OF 'EM.

War College: "Do you think we can improve our faculty this year?"

Ditto: "What do you mean?"

War College: "It says here that students attend colleges to improve their faculties."

THE SILVER LINING.

"Does your wife pick out your uniforms?"

"No, she only picks the pockets."

'SASH EVIDENT.

Mazie: I tell you the courts in this country are rotten. They've given me a bum deal.

Cpl. Bill: They acquitted you, didn't they?

Mazie: Yes, but they never gave me back my sash weight.

BULLY!

Fort Huachuca, Ariz.: Those cows run around as though they were drunk.

Cowboy: Yas'm; them's what we make canned beef out of.

HIS NOSE KNOWS.

Two domestics at Ft. Slocum were comparing noses.

"Missus is fine, but the Captain is very cross," said one.

"He is?"

"Yeah. But I get even with him."

"What do you do?"

"Every time he scolds me I put starch in his handkerchiefs."

The Oldest Scotch Joke

Reads: "Pre-War Stuff." Don't let that good joke age in the skull—send it to Service Humor. Address Humor Editor.

WHEN YOU ARE TRANSFERRED

ASK the Journal about living conditions, etc., at the Post to which you have been directed to proceed. Questions will be answered as soon as possible either in this column or by letters. Address Post Editor.

D. B. C.: Franco Field, Panama Canal Zone, is located about 3½ miles from the docks at Cristobal. Cristobal is of approximately 1,500 population and is a 10 minutes' ride from the field by the Panama Railroad. An excellent concrete road is available for motor transportation.

Colored servants are available, but are not efficient. There is no such thing as "trained help." There are limited facilities for quartering them on the post. There is no Officers' Mess, but there is a Bachelor Officers' Mess, the members of which are very glad to extend mess privileges to any families who arrive on the post until they secure the necessary equipment and provisions to begin housekeeping.

The quarters there are very good, but there are not enough of them. Quarters in Colon and Cristobal are very hard to find, and are not good, even when obtained. The principal forms of recreation are golf, swimming, boating, fishing, basketball, handball and tennis, and some hunting and horseback riding. The temperature varies from 76 degrees to 86 degrees.

ASK THE JOURNAL

ALL questions on which our readers desire information will be answered as soon as possible after receipt. If there is any query you have in mind, send it to the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL QUESTION EDITOR. It will save you time and trouble. Avail yourselves of this "Service to the Services."

Machine Gun Troop.—Double time for retirement is counted on enlistments entered into prior to Aug. 24, 1912, therefore you are entitled to double time for your foreign service from Aug. 1, 1913, to Sept. 9, 1914.

IN THE JOURNAL 60 YEARS AGO

THE report of General Reynolds showed that there was still an imperative necessity for the presence of United States troops in Texas. In the report he stated that to restore measurable peace and quiet to Texas would require that troops be stationed at many county seats until the civil law could be placed in the hands of reliable officers.

An account was given of a simplified method of manufacturing nitro-glycerine at the Hoosac Tunnel Works. It was discovered that its manufacture could be simplified and that it could be shipped safely when frozen.

It was proposed that iron ships be preserved by a process which consisted in doubling the zinc on the hull but in such a way that a sort of battery in a state of tension would be formed.

The Deptford Dockyard, one of the most ancient dockyards in Great Britain, at which Peter the Great learned the art of shipbuilding, was abolished.

In the Roman States the railway trains carried as many soldiers as passengers in order to keep off the brigands.

Have you recorded your opinion on Promotion? Send that card in Now

War Dept.
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OFFICIAL ORDERS

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Marine CorpsCoast Guard
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WAR DEPARTMENT

QUARTERMASTER CORPS.

MAJ. GEN. B. F. CHEATHAM, THE Q. M. G. Capt. H. C. Johansen from Sch. for Bakers and Cooks, Fort Benning, Ga., to Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for duty as asst. to q.m. supply offr., 8th Corps Area gen. depot. (Nov. 23.)

Capt. D. O'Connell to duty as asst. commandant, Sch. for Bakers and Cooks, Fort Benning, Ga. (Nov. 23.)

Capt. J. T. MacDonald, Fort Jay, N. Y., for the convenience of the Government, to home and await retirement. (Nov. 23.)

Capt. W. H. Moore from Fort Hayes, Ohio, detailed for duty with O. R., 3d C. A., 99th Div., station at Pittsburgh, Pa. (Nov. 24.)

Lt. Col. C. R. Bennett assigned to duty as asst. gen. superintendent, A. T. S., San Francisco gen. depot, Calif., in addition to other duties. (Nov. 27.)

1st Lt. F. L. Hamilton (Cav.) from Front Royal, Q. M. Depot, Va., to Kansas City, Mo., for duties as asst. in charge remount purchasing and breeding hdqrs. (Nov. 27.)

CORPS OF ENGINEERS.

MAJ. GEN. EDGAR JADWIN, C. OF E. Capt. H. W. Collins from 2nd Engrs., Fort Logan, Colo., to Kansas City, Mo., for duty as asst. to Kansas City dist. engr. (Nov. 24.)

1st Lt. J. H. Veale, now on duty in office of dist. engr., Buffalo, N. Y., in addition to other duties, detailed with O. R., 2nd C. A. (Nov. 26.)

CHAPLAINS.

CHAPLAIN E. P. EASTERBROOK, C. OF C. The appointment of Rev. H. A. Heagney as chaplain (1st Lt.), Reg. Army, from Nov. 21, announced. He will report for duty at Fort Sheridan, Ill. (Nov. 27.)

CAVALRY.

MAJ. GEN. H. B. CROSBY, C. OF CAV. Capt. E. M. Daniels, 13th Cav., from Fort Riley, Kans., assigned to 3d Cav., Fort Myer, Va., for duty. (Nov. 27.)

INFANTRY.

MAJ. GEN. R. H. ALLEN, C. OF INF. Capt. H. W. Lehr from duty as instr., Ohio, N. G., Akron, to Washington, D. C., for duty as asst. to executive offr., National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice, and designated in addition as property offr., office of director of civilian marksmanship, relieving Capt. J. R. Brooke, jr. (Nov. 23.)

Capt. W. D. Cronkrite, 9th Inf., from Fort Sam Houston, Tex., detailed with O. R., 8th C. A., 357th Inf., San Antonio, Tex. (Nov. 23.)

1st Lt. J. D. O'Connell, detailed in S. C., Dec. 1, from 24th Inf., Fort Benning, Ga., to Fort Monmouth, N. J., for duty. (Nov. 23.)

Lt. Col. P. B. Peyton from duty as instr., Inf. Sch., Fort Benning, Ga., assigned to 6th Brig. Fort Rosecrans, Calif., and will sail from N. Y. Dec. 28 for San Francisco, thence to duty assigned. (Nov. 24.)

Capt. C. M. Walton, 25th Inf., from Douglas, Ariz., detailed with O. R., 3rd C. A., 393rd Inf., station at Pittsburgh, Pa. (Nov. 24.)

1st Lt. R. A. Schow (tanks) from 17th Tank Bn., Fort Leonard Wood, Md., to Washington, D. C., for station and duty with chairman, American Battle Monuments Commission. (Nov. 24.)

2nd Lt. R. C. Alce, 38th Inf., from Fort Douglas, Utah, to Fort McPherson, Ga., for duty with Brig. Gen. F. S. Cocheu, U. S. A. (Nov. 24.)

Maj. E. O. Power is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto. (Nov. 26.)

Maj. G. J. Gonser from detail with O. R., 9th C. A., Portland, Oreg., assigned to 4th Inf., Fort Missoula, Mont. (Nov. 26.)

Capt. F. Lockhead, now on duty in office of Chief, Militia Bureau, Washington, D. C., detailed as instr., N. G., hdqrs. and Inf. units, 29th Div., Washington, D. C., in addition to other duties Mar. 7. (Nov. 26.)

1st Lt. C. P. Chapman, having been relieved as aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. H. B. Fiske, U. S. A., is assigned to Inf., 2nd Div., Fort Sam Houston, Tex. (Nov. 26.)

1st Lt. A. P. Kitson, 7th Inf., from Vancouver Bks., Wash., detailed at North Dakota Aric, Col., Fargo, for duty. (Nov. 26.)

Capt. M. L. Dill from duty with 2nd Div., Fort Sam Houston, Tex., detailed with O. R., 8th C. A., 315th Engrs., San Antonio, Tex., for duty. (Nov. 27.)

Col. J. D. Taylor and Capt. G. A. Davis to sail from New York for China Feb. 16 instead of Jan. 15 as previously ordered. (Nov. 27.)

AIR CORPS.

MAJ. GEN. J. E. FECHET, C. OF A. C. 1st Lt. J. Smith (Cav.) to sail from San Francisco, Calif., for Hawaii Feb. 7 instead of Mar. 9 as previously ordered. (Nov. 23.)

2nd Lt. H. A. Wheaton from duty at Langley Field, Va., to Kelly Field, Tex., for duty. (Nov. 24.)

PHILIPPINE SCOUTS.

Capt. H. A. Sanford (promoted subject to examination) having been examined and found physically disqualified for duties of capt., on account of disability incident to the service, his retirement as a capt. is announced and he will proceed home. (Nov. 24.)

LEAVES.

Ten days to Maj. M. J. O'Brien, A. G. D., Nov. 27. (Nov. 23.)

Fifteen days to Maj. C. J. Allen, Inf., Dec. 5. (Nov. 23.)

Two days to Lt. Col. J. A. Berry, A. G. D., Dec. 1. (Nov. 24.)

Two days to Lt. Col. M. B. Garber, G. S. C., Nov. 30. (Nov. 24.)

Fourteen days to Capt. C. H. Tate, F. A., on arrival in U. S. (Nov. 24.)

One day to Lt. Col. R. R. Glass, G. S. C., Dec. 1. (Nov. 26.)

Two days to 1st Lt. C. M. Simpson, jr., S. C., Nov. 30. (Nov. 26.)

Three days to Col. I. J. Carr, S. C., Nov. 20. (Nov. 26.)

Three months to 1st Lt. W. F. Jennings,

Status of Promotion in Service

ARMY PROMOTION STATUS.

Promotions and Vacancies on the Promotion List (Cumulative) since Nov. 23, 1928.

Last promotion to the grade of Colonel—John H. Neff, Inf., No. 39, Page 153, July Army List & Directory.

Vacancies—None.

Senior Lieut. Col.—George B. Pillsbury, Corps of Engineers.

Last promotion to the grade of Lieut. Col.—Frank Moorman, Gen. Staff (Sig. C.), No. 622, Page 155.

Vacancies—4. Officers entitled—Harry H. Bissell, Inf., Charles B. Elliott, Inf., John B. Corby, Inf., Joseph L. Topham, Jr., Q. M. C.

Senior Major if vacancies were filled—Charles L. Sampson, Inf.

Last promotion to the grade of Major—Ralph C. Smith, Inf., No. 2358, Page 161.

Vacancies—4. Officers entitled—Richard B. Webb, C. A. C., Moses Goodman, C. A. C., Arthur H. Truxes, Cav., Gordon J. F. Heron, Cav.

Senior Captain if vacancies were filled—Thomas S. Arms, Inf.

Last promotion to the grade of Captain—Walter A. Jackson, Inf., No. 5718, Page 173.

Vacancies—8. Officers entitled—Frederic B. Wieners, A. C., Frank Richards, C. A. C., Ralph H. Woolsey, Q. M. C., Richard F. Lussier, Inf., Jack R. Gage, Inf., Raymond P. Lavin, Inf., Henry W. Isbell, Inf., Clifford H. Boyles, Inf.

Senior 1st Lieut. if vacancies were filled—Willis S. Bryant, F. A.

Last promotion to the grade of 1st Lieut.—Richard S. Marr, F. A., No. 8517, Page 183.

Vacancies—19. Officers entitled—Leonard J. Greeley, F. A.—ending with James V. Collier, F. A., No. 8536.

Senior 2nd Lieut. if vacancies were filled—Edwin K. Wright, Inf.

Vacancies in grade of 2nd Lieut.—112. (Promotion List Branches.)

Cav. Feb. 9 with permission to return to U. S. via Suez. (Nov. 26.)

Four months to Capt. V. Parks, jr., C. W. S., May 1. (Nov. 26.)

Two days to Maj. T. H. Lowe, A. G. D., Nov. 30. (Nov. 26.)

Two days to Maj. L. Watrous, A. G. D., Nov. 30. (Nov. 26.)

One month to 1st Lt. F. A. Lundell, A. C., Nov. 27, with permission to leave U. S. (Nov. 26.)

Six days to 1st Lt. G. J. Forster, Inf., Nov. 28. (Nov. 26.)

One month, 20 days, to 1st Lt. E. Kelly, Inf., Dec. 3. (Nov. 27.)

Two days to Col. L. M. Hathaway, M. C., Dec. 1. (Nov. 27.)

Two days to Maj. M. C. Shallenberger, G. S. C., Nov. 30. (Nov. 27.)

Two days to Maj. J. B. Brooks, G. S. C., Nov. 30. (Nov. 27.)

FOLLOWING TO SAIL FEB. 16 FOR P. I. Following officers to sail from New York for Philippines Feb. 16 instead of Jan. 15 as previously ordered: Capt. R. W. Argo, C. A.; 1st Lt. V. A. Beers, C. E.; 1st Lt. P. M. Martin, Cav.; 2nd Lts. W. E. Laidlaw, Inf.; A. S. Newman, Inf.; Capt. J. J. Kelly, Inf.; 1st Lts. H. R. Yeager, A. C.; D. B. Phillips, A. C.; 2nd Lt. E. V. Holmes, F. A.; Capt. R. C. Hildreth, S. C.; Lt. Col. C. S. Hoffman, S. C.; apt. H. L. Harries, Inf.; 2nd Lt. F. S. Bowen, jr., Inf.; Capt. G. G. Cowen, Inf.; 1st Lts. W. E. Dunkelberg, J. W. Irwin, R. F. Turrentine, 2nd Lt. W. H. Brunke, Inf.; 1st Lts. L. M. Morton and A. D. Whittaker, jr., C. A. (Nov. 27.)

PROMOTIONS.

The promotion of the following officers is announced:

Judge Advocate General's Department—Lt. Col. G. V. Packer to Col., Nov. 21.

Corps of Engineers—1st Lt. R. F. Gill to Capt., Nov. 13.

Signal Corps—Maj. F. Moorman (detailed in General Staff Corps) to Lt. Col., Nov. 16.

Cavalry—Capt. B. H. Colner to Maj., Nov. 8.

Field Artillery—1st Lt. E. T. Anderson to Capt., Nov. 10.

Coast Artillery Corps—Lt. Col. W. H. Raymond to Col., Nov. 16; Capt. A. D. Chipman (subj. to exam.) to Maj., Nov. 10; Capt. R. E. Turley, jr., to Maj., Nov. 13; 1st Lt. J. R. Clark to Capt., Nov. 8.

Infantry—Lt. Col. R. Smith to Col., Nov. 19.

Air Corps—1st Lt. C. F. Greene to Capt., Nov. 8.

Orders have been issued to Colonel Smith. The other officers will remain on present duties. (Nov. 24.)

RESIGNATION.

Resignation of 2nd Lt. S. C. Reynolds, jr., F. A., accepted. (Nov. 23.)

BOARD OF OFFICERS.

A board of the following appointed to investigate the Christie caterpillar mount to determine its suitability as a heavy armored car: Lt. Col. J. J. O'Hara, Cav.; Maj. G. S. Patton, jr., Cav.; H. A. Flint, Cav., and C. C. Benson, Cav. (Nov. 26.)

ORDER TO RETIRED OFFICER.

Capt. H. A. Sanford, U. S. A., ret., now

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Rear Adm. H. E. Yarnell, Capt. G. W. Haines, Comdr. James R. Barry, Lt. Comdr. G. L. Harris, Lt. C. H. Kimball, Lt. (j.g.) J. K. Morrison, jr.

Medical Corps.

Rear Adm. C. H. T. Lowndes, Capt. R. Hayden, Comdr. G. W. Calver, Lt. Comdr. J. E. Andrews, Lt. C. M. Dumbaul.

Dental Corps.

Comdr. H. D. Johnson, Lt. Comdr. F. J. Long, Lt. J. M. Thompson, jr.

Supply Corps.

Rear Adm. T. H. Hicks, Capt. E. G. Morsell, Comdr. H. B. Ransdell, Lt. Comdr. L. E. Steeves, Lt. E. T. Stewart, jr., Lt. (j.g.) T. W. Baker.

Chaplain Corps.

Capt. E. A. Duff, Comdr. T. L. Kirkpatrick, Lt. Comdr. W. L. Thompson, Lt. E. G. Hangan, Lt. (j.g.) (Act. Chap.) Victor H. Morgan.

Construction Corps.

Rear Adm. G. H. Rock, Capt. W. P. Druley, Comdr. F. G. Crisp, Lt. Comdr. T. P. Wynkoop, Lt. M. R. Williams.

Civil Engineer Corps.

Rear Adm. F. T. Chambers, Capt. Thurbur, Comdr. G. Church, Lt. Comdr. H. S. Bean, Lt. H. P. Needham.

U. S. M. C. PROMOTION STATUS.

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Last Commissioned. Will make number in grade indicated on next vacancy.

Col. R. P. Williams. Col. Thos. Holcomb. Lt. Col. H. N. Man- Lt. Col. F. B. Gar- ney, jr. rett.

Maj. A. C. Dearing. Maj. R. J. Mitchell. Capt. E. W. Moore. Capt. K. A. Inman. 1st Lt. T. J. Walker. 1st Lt. R. H. Ridge- ley, jr.

CORPS AREA

EIGHTH CORPS AREA

Headquarters, Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

BRIG. GEN. A. J. BOWLEY.

Col. Robert McCleave, Chief of Staff. Leaves—Two months, Jan. 1, 1929, to Lt. Col. C. McH. Eby, 12th Cav., Fort Brown, Tex.; one month, 7 days, March 10, 1929, to Capt. C. O. Purdy (Chaplain), Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo.; one month, 29 days, Jan. 5, 1929, to 1st Lt. E. E. Hodgson, V. C., Fort Bliss, Tex.; one month, 25 days, Dec. 1 to 2d Lt. T. F. Trapolino, 12th Cav., Fort Ringgold, Tex., with permission to leave United States.

at Fort Slocum, N. Y., to active duty that place, in connection with recruiting. (Nov. 27.)

WARRANT OFFICERS.

Wrt. Offr. E. A. Sartin from Fort Lewis, Wash., assigned to duty as asst. property auditor, N. Y. gen. depot, and will sail from San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 25 for N. Y., thence to duty assigned. (Nov. 26.)

Wrt. Offr. L. A. Samples from duties hdqrs. 7th C. A., Fort Omaha, Nebr., assigned to duty as asst. property auditor, N. Y. gen. depot, Brooklyn. (Nov. 26.)

Wrt. Offr. S. Grant from 1st C. A., Boston, Mass., assigned to duty as asst. property auditor, N. Y. gen. depot, Brooklyn. (Nov. 26.)

Wrt. Offr. A. Lepphardt, Fort McDowell, Calif., on his own application, retired from active service after more than 30 years' service. (Nov. 27.)

Resignation of Wrt. Offr. W. W. Snow, Fort Bragg, N. C., on Nov. 30. (Nov. 27.)

RETIREMENT OF ENLISTED MEN.

Mstr. Sgt. M. M. Lee, Q. M. C., at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. (Nov. 23.)

Mstr. Sgt. J. Schiller, Q. M. C., at Fort MacArthur, Calif. (Nov. 23.)

Mstr. Sgt. W. K. Sump, Det. of enl. men, at office of C. of Inf., Washington, D. C. (Nov. 23.)

1st Sgt. I. G. Fenwick, 30th Inf., at Fort McDowell, Calif. (Nov. 24.)

Mstr. Sgt. F. Denny, D. E. M. L. (Mo. N. G.), at Caruthersville, Mo. (Nov. 24.)

Sgt. R. E. Booher, 9th Inf., at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. (Nov. 26.)

Sgt. J. Wilson, 25th Inf., at Camp S. D. Little, Nogales, Ariz. (Nov. 26.)

Mstr. Sgt. G. S. Hamilton, 12th Inf., Fort Howard, Md. (Nov. 26.)

Mstr. Sgt. L. Lafitte, O. D., at Fort McIntosh, Tex. (Nov. 26.)

1st Sgt. C. J. Bush, 49th Bmbt. Sqdn., A. C., at Langley Field, Va. (Nov. 27.)

ORDERS TO N. C. O.

Staff Sgt. R. J. Neese, Med. Dept., V. S., from Fort Omaha, Nebr., to Fort Bragg, N. C., for replacement for Staff Sgt. J. B. Joyner. (Nov. 26.)

Staff Sgt. J. B. Joyner, Med. Dept., V. S., from Fort Bragg, N. C., on arrival of Sgt. Neese, to Fort Omaha, Nebr., for duty. (Nov. 26.)

ORGANIZED RESERVES.

2nd Lt. W. W. Wood, Air Res., to active duty Nov. 26, for training at Fairfield air dept., Ohio. (Nov. 23.)

1st Lt. E. C. Wood, Spec. Res., to active duty Nov. 26, at Buffalo, N. Y., for training with A. C. procurement planning representative. (Nov. 24.)

Capt. H. T. Herriek, C. W. S. Res., to active duty Dec. 16 at 2nd C. W. procurement dist., N. Y., for training. (Nov. 27.)

Maj. W. G. Gribbel, C. W. S. Res., to active duty Dec. 3 at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., for training. (Nov. 27.)

G. O. 15, W. D., Nov. 12, 1928.

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NAVY

November 22, 1928.

Comdr. J. James to Fifth Naval Dist., Hampton Roads, Va.; Lts. F. Helms to home; W. H. Read to Nav. Acad.; R. S. Savin to Navy Yard, Wash., D. C.; C. H. Currier (M. C.) to U. S. S. Camden; F. M. Harrison (M. C.) res. accepted Jan. 24; Lts. (j.g.) C. R. Wilcox (M. C.) to Dest. Squads, Setg. Flt.; J. P. Wood (M. C.) to U. S. S. Utah; Lt. A. W. Barnes (S. C.) to cont. duty as supply officer, U. S. S. Relief; J. M. Easter (S. C.) to U. S. S. Relief; Chief Mach. C. E. Briggs to Navy Yard, Portsmouth, N. H.

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Comdrs. J. V. Howard (M. C.), to U. S. S. Pennsylvania; C. M. George (M. C.), to U. S. S. California; Lt. Comdr. H. A. Tribou (M. C.), to Subm. Base, New London, Conn.; W. E. Greenwood to temp. duty Naval Medical School, Washington, D. C.; Lt. (j.g.) J. W. C. Brand to U. S. S. Lexington; Ens. D. C. Dreir to cont. treat. Naval Hosp., Washington, D. C.; C. D. McDaniel to treat. Nav. Hosp., Washington, D. C.; R. H. Moreau to resignation accepted Dec. 2; E. K. Ponver to U. S. S. Williamson; A. H. Taylor to U. S. S. Dallas; Chief Gun. A. F. Garloff to Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash.; C. Cooper to Subm. Base, Pearl Harbor, T. H.; D. P. Henderson to U. S. S. California; Chief Pharms. V. M. Coulter to Nav. Hosp., N. Y.; C. J. Owen to Nav. Hosp., Mare Island, Calif.

November 24, 1928.

Comdrs. J. H. Brooks, to command U. S. S. Mercy; J. F. Cox, to Nav. Opets.; Lt. Comdr. E. G. Hakansson, to Naval Hospital, Pearl Harbor, T. H.; Lts. A. C. Leonard to Asiatic Station; T. H. Robbins, Jr., to VS. Sqdn., SB. (U. S. S. Concord); Lts. (j.g.) E. M. Ellis to temp. duty N. A. S., Pensacola, Fla.; W. W. Johnson to temp. duty Sub. Base, New London, Conn.; Ens. E. S. Sarfield, to temp. duty Sub. Base, New London, Conn.; W. S. Whiteside, to U. S. S. John D. Edwards; Comdr. C. E. Ryder (M. C.) to duty Navy Recruiting Station, Newark, N. J.; T. H. Hayes (M. C.) to Nav. Hosp., Boston; E. C. Taylor (M. C.) to U. S. S. Richmond; Ch. Mach. C. N. Koch to U. S. S. Florida; Mach. F. M. Hendricks, Jr., to Navy Yard, Wash., D. C.; Pharm. C. S. Fay, to Naval Medical Supply Depot, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ch. Pay Clk. S. R. Michael to continue treatment, Navl Hosp., New York.

November 26, 1928.

Comdr. G. H. Bowley to 11th Naval Dist., San Diego; Lt. W. H. Hutter to Navy Yard, N. Y.; Lt. (j.g.) W. H. Beers, Jr., to U. S. S. V-4; Chf. Gnr. J. Nicol to continue duty U. S. S. Whitney; Gnr. E. L. Ralston to Naval Ammunition Depot, St. Juliens Creek, Va.; Chf. Pharm. C. C. Thome to home; Pharm. W. Crimes to Receiving Barracks, Hampton Roads, Va.; Pay Clk. H. Schub to duty U. S. S. Marblehead.

Following despatch orders were received from Commander in Chief, Asiatic Fleet, dated Nov. 22: Comdr. J. M. Smealie to U. S. S. S. Brown to command Destroyer Div. 39, Asiatic; Lt. Comdr. R. P. P. McClellan, J. F. Meigs to U. S. S. H. H. Harrison to treatment Naval Hosp., San Diego; Lts. (j.g.) J. W. Fowler to U. S. S. Bittern; H. Wagner to U. S. S. Black Hawk; Capt. U. R. Webb (M. C.) to U. S. S. Lt. Comdr. J. E. Houghton (M. C.) to treatment Naval Hosp., San Diego; Lts. (j.g.) C. W. Stelle (M. C.) to U. S. S. Pruitt; C. R. Bell (M. C.) to U. S. S. Black Hawk; P. S. Ferguson (M. C.) to U. S. S.

November 26, 1928.

Lt. Comdr. J. P. Compton to Div. Eng. Offr., Subm. Div. 20; Lt. P. M. Monecy to Navy Yard, New York, N. Y.; Lts. (j.g.) R. E. Elliott to temporary duty Naval Torpedo Station, Newport, R. I.; W. A. Graham to duty involving flying as aviation gunnery observer, U. S. S. Mississippi; Ens. R. Brodie, jr., C. L. Carpenter, H. T. Deutermann, C. E. Duke, D. T. Eddy, J. H. Ellison, G. B. Gilbertson, R. L. Harrell, J. T. Hazen, H. V. Milton, F. M. Nichols, J. W. Price, jr., C. R. Rohwerder, P. H. Ross, R. B. Stratton, A. B. Sutherland, jr., D. A. Taylor, to temporary duty Naval Torpedo Station, Newport, R. I.; I. D. Shapiro, to continue duty Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, N. J., pending action of resignation; Lt. Comdr. H. D. Johnson (D. C.), to Navy Yard, Puget Sound, Wash.; Lt. G. L. Reilly (D. C.), to Navy Yard, Boston

Letters to Editor
COMMENTS ON SERVICE IN GRADE.
Editor, Army and Navy Journal.

Some time ago I sent you my vote on the card you sent me. Please destroy that card and record my vote as shown on the paper attached to this letter.

For example, if the phrase, "In each grade," be dropped from the statement, "Promotion after a stated number of years' service in each grade," then, we have a fair and square deal for all.

As I see it, every submerged captain, who has had less service than the lieutenants above him, would be promoted to major almost immediately due to the fact that he has been a captain all these years. "A," for example, was commissioned just a few days before the armistice was signed, and the boards in 1920 made him a captain. He now has more than eight (8) years' service in grade as a captain which would count in his promotion to grade of major. "B" was commissioned in 1917, and has ten (10) or eleven (11) years' service, much more service than Captain "A," but "B" has no service above the grade of lieutenant. Therefore, Captain "A," with eight (8) years of service all as captain, would go to grade of major almost immediately, while Lieutenant "B," who served for at least a year during the war before "A" came into the service, and who has ten (10) years of service but all as lieutenant, will remain for another eight (8) or ten (10) years as a captain before he gets his majority.

"His, it seems to me, is good for the submerged captains, but very much against the lieutenants who have been lieutenants for ten (10) or eleven (11) years.

Drop the phrase, "In each grade," and give the lieutenants with longer service a fair chance.

R. R. LOUDEN,
First Lieutenant, Infantry.

COL. MARKEY HURT.

Col. David J. Markey of the Maryland National Guard had a narrow escape from death a few days ago when the automobile he was driving was struck at a grade crossing at Kensington, Md., by a railroad train. Colonel Markey was reported as having been hurled a considerable distance but suffered only bruises and cuts.

KOEPKE HEADS NAVY ELEVEN.

Annapolis (Special).—Lyle D. Koepke, 29, of Flint, Mich., was this week chosen captain of the Navy eleven for 1929. Captain Koepke played guard during the Navy's last four games. R. C. D. Hunt, of D. C. was named manager.

The Journal Salutes

THIS week the Army and Navy Journal salutes:

(1) Lt. Col. O. P. Robinson, Inf., the author of "The Fundamentals of Military Strategy," on the excellence of the work.

(2) The Marine Corps and Navy football teams who compete for the President's Cup today.

(3) Rear Adm. E. R. Stitt, who completed his tour this week, on his splendid record as Surgeon General of the Navy.

President's Cup Clash Today

The fifth annual contest between service football teams for the President's Cup will be played in Washington, D. C., at Griffith's Stadium this afternoon. The game this year is to be played by the Navy and the Marine Corps. The Navy will be represented by the team from the Newport Naval Training Station, R. I.

In the absence of President Coolidge, Speaker of the House Nicholas Longworth will probably present the trophy to the winning team. A number of Cabinet officers and Senators and Representatives in Congress will attend the game as well as officers and men of the services. Vice President-elect Charles Curtis has reserved a box as has Senator Frederick Hale, of Maine, and Congressman Fred Britten, of Illinois.

Secretary of the Navy Wilbur to avoid favoring either branch of the service will be seated on the Navy side during one-half of the game and will be among the cheerers for the Marine Corps during the other half.

Admiral Charles F. Hughes, Chief of Naval Operations, and Major General John Lejeune, Commandant of the Marine Corps, will watch their teams.

The Superintendent of the Naval Academy, Rear Admiral S. S. Robinson, U. S. N., accompanied by eighty midshipmen from the football squad at Annapolis, will attend the game.

Dayton, Ohio (Special).—On Thanksgiving Day the Quantico Marines, unbeaten since 1926, made it 18 straight for the season by a 7-0 victory over the Dayton University Flyers. Last Saturday the Devil Dogs defeated the Lebanon Valley team, at Scranton, Pa., 31-0.

Army Transport Sailings

ST. MIHIEL sailed from New York Nov. 28, due to arrive Galveston Dec. 4; leave Dec. 5, arrive Cristobal Dec. 10; leave Dec. 14, arrive San Juan Dec. 17; leave Dec. 17 and arrive at New York Dec. 21.

Chateau Thierry sailed from San Francisco Nov. 27, due to arrive Corinto Dec. 5, leave Dec. 5; arrive Panama Dec. 7, leave Dec. 8 and arrive at New York Dec. 14; scheduled to sail from New York Feb. 21 for Porto Rico and Panama.

Cambrai due to leave Panama Dec. 3 and arrive at New York Dec. 9 for repairs.

Somme, sailed from San Francisco Nov. 26, due to arrive at Panama Dec. 6, leave Dec. 8 and arrive at San Francisco Dec. 18.

A number of changes were announced by the Office of the Quartermaster General this week in the proposed sailings of U. S. Army Transports published in our issue Oct. 27, 1928.

New York-Porto Rico-Panama.

The sailing of the Ch. Thierry from New York on April 18 for San Juan, Cristobal and return has been cancelled.

New York-San Francisco.

The Cambrai scheduled to leave New York Jan. 15, arriving at Panama Jan. 21, and leaving Jan. 22, under the new schedule is due to stop at Corinto, arriving Jan. 24 and leaving Jan. 24, and will proceed to San Francisco, arriving Feb. 1. Stops at Corinto are also scheduled on the following sailings: Somme, to leave New York Feb. 16, arrive Panama Feb. 22, leave Feb. 23, arrive Corinto Feb. 25, leave Feb. 25 and arrive at San Francisco Mar. 5. St. Mihiel, to leave New York Mar. 8, arrive Panama Mar. 14, leave Mar. 15, arrive Corinto Mar. 17, leave Mar. 17 and arrive at San Francisco Mar. 25. An additional sailing is scheduled for April 18, when the Ch. Thierry will leave New York and arrive at San Juan April 22, leave April 23, arrive Panama April 26, leave April 29, and arrive at San Francisco May 9. The transport Somme will make the trip from New York to San Francisco on May 3 instead of the U. S. Grant and the St. Mihiel makes that sailing on May 28 in place of the Ch. Thierry.

San Francisco-New York.

The sailing of the Cambrai from San Francisco on Dec. 22 for Corinto, Panama and New York has been cancelled. The Somme is scheduled for the sailing from San Francisco on April 10 instead of the U. S. Grant. An additional sailing is scheduled for May 14, when the Ch. Thierry will leave San Francisco, being scheduled to arrive at Panama May 24, leave May 25, arrive San Juan May 28, leave May 28, and arrive at New York June 1. The Cambrai is scheduled to sail from San Francisco May 18 instead of the Somme, and the Somme is scheduled for the June 19 sailing instead of the Cambrai.

San Francisco-Honolulu.

An additional sailing is scheduled for May 24, when the Somme will sail from San Francisco for Honolulu, being due to arrive there May 29, leave June 7 and arrive at San Francisco June 13. The St. Mihiel is scheduled for the June 19 sailing instead of the Ch. Thierry.

San Francisco-Honolulu-Guam-Manila.

The sailing of the Somme from San Francisco Nov. 30 has been cancelled. The U. S. Grant will sail from San Francisco Dec. 1, arrive Panama Dec. 11, leave Dec. 13, arrive Honolulu Dec. 27, leave Dec. 29, arrive Manila Jan. 12, leave Jan. 19, arrive Honolulu Feb. 2, leave Feb. 3 and arrive at San Francisco Feb. 9. The U. S. Grant is scheduled for the Mar. 9 schedule instead of the Somme.

Meet On Simonds' Plan

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the same as for the Infantry. He further stated that communications were continuing to arrive in considerable numbers and that a report on them would be submitted later.

Other arms and branches reported that scattering communications had been received but it was believed that they were not yet sufficient in numbers to warrant a statement as to the general sentiment in all the arms and branches.

It was the general consensus of opinion that these meetings were beneficial in that they provided a clearing house for an exchange of ideas; and it was unanimously agreed that subsequent meetings should be held as soon as more views from the service were available, or any other development in the situation made it desirable.

Gen. Simonds told the Army and Navy Journal that he hoped such meetings in which representatives from all the arms and branches were there to present their views were a forerunner of others in which matters of professional interest on the subject of National Defense might be considered from the viewpoint of the Army as a whole rather than from that of any particular arm or branch.

At the meeting of last Thursday, charts were submitted by Maj. H. N. Sumner, A. G. D., and Capt. M. A. Cowles, Field Art., showing the effects on promotion of the application of the proposed principles under certain assumed conditions as to years of service in grade. Capt. Cowles' chart was similar in purport to Maj. Sumner's but showed different years for promotion.

The Sumner chart had the following notations: "With the present restricted flow of promotion and with no remedial legislation by Congress it is predicted that the status of the promotion list on January 1, 1935, will be as follows: Colonels to No. 418, Lieutenant Colonels to No. 1121, Majors to No. 3179, Captains to No. 7094, First Lieutenants through all Second Lieutenants."

"From communications already received in response to the action of the meeting of

Army Officers Retired

THE War Department this week announced the retirement and coming retirement of Major E. Ormonde Power, Inf., on account of disability incident to the service; Capt. James T. MacDonald, Q. M. C., who will proceed to his home and await retirement, and Capt. Harry A. Sanford, Philippine Scouts, on account of disability incident to the service.

HEADS WEST COAST ARMY.

San Francisco (Special).—Sgt. A. Barnes, 30th Infantry has been elected captain of the West Coast Army Football Team for next season, 1929, succeeding Cpl. N. A. Gannuzzi, 30th Infantry, team captain for 1928.

Sept. 4, 1928, of the presidents and representatives of the arms and branches it is apparent that the Service generally favors promotion by length of service with elasticity in the numbers in grades. This chart is based on length of service in grades as provided by the Furlow Bill (with restrictions in upper grades removed) which is First Lieutenant after three years service, Captain 10 years, Major 15 years, Lieutenant Colonel 20 years and Colonel 26 years and shows the probable status of the promotion list on January 1, 1929 and January 1, 1935, should favorable legislation be effective January 1, 1929. The promotion list figures on the sides of the columns are taken from the July 1, 1928, Army List and Directory.

The chart indicated that the status of promotion under the above conditions:

On January 1, 1929—Colonels would extend to No. 450, who is now a Lieutenant Colonel; Lieutenant Colonels would extend to No. 1050, who is now a Major; Captains would extend to No. 7704, who is now a 1st Lieutenant; 1st Lieutenants would extend to No. 9195, who is now a 2nd Lieutenant.

By January 1, 1935—All present Lieutenant Colonels would be Colonels; Colonels would extend to No. 1050, who is now a Major; Lieutenant Colonels would extend to No. 1957, who is now a Major; Majors would extend through all present Captains to No. 7704, who is now a 1st Lieutenant; Captains would extend to No. 8952, who is now a 2nd Lieutenant; all remaining 2nd Lieutenants now in Service would be 1st Lieutenants.

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Destroyer Squadrons.

Rear Adm. Thos. J. Senn, Commander, Rigel, San Diego; Omaha, San Diego, Calif.; McDermut, San Diego, Calif.

Squadron Eleven—Decatur (leader), Bremerton Navy Yard; Melville, at San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty—Meyer, San Diego; Doyen, McCawley, Sinclair, Henshaw, San Diego, Calif.; Moody, Bremerton, Wash.

Division Thirty-one—Farragut, Somers, William Jones, J. P. Burns, Percival, San Diego, Calif.; Zeilin, Bremerton, Wash.

Division Thirty-two—Paul, Hamilton, Stoddert, Reno, San Diego, Calif.; Kennedy, San Diego, Calif.; Thompson, San Diego; Farquhar, San Diego, Calif.

Squadron Twelve—Litchfield (leader), San Diego, Calif.; Altair (tender), San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty-four—LaVallette, Sloat, Yarrowburgh, San Diego, Calif.; Kidder, Shirk, San Diego, Calif.; Wood, San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty-five—Chase, Selfridge, Mervine, Mullany, Robert Smith, Marcus, San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty-six—Maconough, Corry, Hull, Melvin, Sumner, San Diego, Calif.; Farenholt, Mare Island, Calif.

Division Thirty-eight—John D. Edwards, Mare Island; Whipple, San Diego, Calif.; Smith-Thompson, Tracy, San Diego, Calif.; Borie, San Diego, Calif.; Barker, San Diego, Calif.

Destroyer Squadrons.

Rear Adm. J. M. Reeves, Commander, Saratoga (flagship), San Francisco; Lexington, Coronado Roads, Calif.; Langley, Mare Island; Gannet, Mare Island; Aroostook, San Diego, Calif.

Submarine Divisions.

Rear Adm. Ridley McLean, Commander, Holland (flagship and tender), San Diego; Ortolan (tender), San Diego, Calif.

Division Eleven—S-27, S-24, S-29, S-28, San Diego, Calif.; S-26, S-25, Mare Island, Calif.

Division Nineteen—S-45, S-42, Mare Island; S-43, S-47, S-42, S-44, S-46, San Diego, Calif.

Division Twenty—Argonne (tender), V-1, Mare Island; V-2, V-3, Mare Island, Calif. Submarines Based on Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Seagull (tender), Widgeon (tender), Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Division Nine—R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, R-6, R-7, R-8, R-9, R-10, Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Division Fourteen—R-11, R-12, R-13, R-14, R-15, R-16, R-17, R-18, R-19, R-20, Pearl Harbor, T. H.

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Vice Adm. M. M. Taylor, Commander, Wyoming (flagship).

Battleship Division Two.

Rear Adm. Harris Laning, Commander, Nevada, Norfolk, Va.; Oklahoma, Philadelphia; Wyoming, New York Yard; Arkansas, New York Yard; Florida, Boston Yard; Utah, Hampton Roads to Montevideo, Uruguay.

Light Cruiser Division Three.

Rear Adm. George C. Day, Commander, Richmond (flagship), Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Detroit, Boston, Mass.; Marblehead, New York Yard to sea; Cincinnati, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Destroyer Squadrons.

Rear Adm. Frank H. Clark, Commander, Concord, Charleston, S. C.; Converse, Philadelphia, Pa.

Squadron Nine—Dallas (tender), Whitney, Charleston, S. C.

Division Twenty-five—Toucey, Norfolk, Va.; Lardner, Case, Charleston, S. C.; Breck, Isherwood, Sharkey, Charleston, S. C.

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Division Twenty-seven—Osborne, Lamson, Preston, Bruce, Coghlan, Charles Ausburn, Charleston, S. C.

Squadron Fourteen—Hopkins (leader), Dobbin, Charleston, S. C.

Division Forty—Gilmer, Kane, Charleston, S. C.; Lawrence, Charleston; Hatfield, Humphreys, Charleston, S. C.; Brooks, Charleston to New York Yard.

Division Forty-one—King J. R. Paulding, Childs, McFarland, Charleston, S. C.; Overton, Sturtevant, Charleston, S. C.

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Aircraft Squadron.

Rear Adm. A. W. Marshall, Commander, Wright, Teal, Hampton Roads, Va.; Sandpiper, Norfolk, Va.

CONTROL FORCE.

Rear Adm. F. B. Upham, Commander, Camden, New London, Conn.; Falcon, New London to Portsmouth; Mallard, Boston, Mass.; S-4, Portsmouth, N. H.

Mine Squadron—Ogala, Boston, Maury, Gloucester, Mass.; Quail, Boston, Mass.; Mahan, Gloucester, Mass.; Lark, Boston, Mass.

Submarine Divisions.

Division Two—Chewink, New London; O-2, O-4, New London, Conn.; O-1, New London, Conn.; O-20, New London, Conn.; O-3, Portsmouth, N. H.

Division Three—S-10, New London, Conn.; S-11, S-13, Portsmouth, N. H.; S-12, New London, Conn.

Division Four—S-19, S-23, New London; S-1, S-18, S-22, Portsmouth, N. H.; S-21, Washington, D. C.

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Destroyer Squadron.

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Aircraft Squadron.

Jason, Heron, Avocet, Olongapo.

Submarine Division.

Division Sixteen—Beaver (tender), S-30, S-31, S-32, S-35, S-33, S-34, Manila; Pigeon, Manila, P. I.

Division Seventeen—Canopus (tender), S-38, S-39, S-40, S-41, S-36, S-37, S-2, Manila, P. I.

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Shows Pay Relief Need

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civil life remains as high as it is—and the prospects are that it will—the cost of living will not decrease.

The Government foreign service, the Civil service, members of the Congress and executive officers of the Government have all received substantially increased compensation, to meet the increased cost of living due to higher wages outside the Government service.

Would Remove Discrimination.

The McNamee Board recommended a pay schedule which would remove discriminations in pay for like duties and responsibilities, more adequately compensate higher command and more nearly meet the increased living costs of officers in the Navy. This schedule is in no way camouflaged by so-called allowances, for name them as one likes, the total amount of the monthly pay check is pay. Not since before 1899, when the Navy went on Army pay with slight modifications, has a Navy pay schedule been presented which gives a true, undisguised picture of the compensation any officer in the Navy will receive at any time in his career. The cards are all face-up on the table.

That the recommendations of this board are not unreasonable but extremely moderate is evident from the following comparative table, expressed in 1908 purchasing power:

Rank.	1908	1922	Proposed
Rear Admiral—Upper half:			
At sea	8800	4731	6438
On shore	9672	4731	5852
Rear Admiral—Lower half:			
At sea	6600	3658	5365
On shore	7440	3658	4877
Captain—27 years' service:			
At sea	5500	3412	4506
On shore	6250	3412	4096
Commander—19 years' service:			
At sea	4950	2807	3862
On shore	5643	2807	3511
Lieutenant Commander—12 years' service:			
At sea	3960	2086	3219
On shore	4500	2086	2926
Lieutenant—10 years' service:			
At sea	3168	2028	2414
On shore	3600	2028	2195
Lieutenant (junior grade):			
At sea	2420	1638	1931
On shore	2740	1638	1755
Ensign:			
At sea	2057	1033	1288
On shore	2230	1033	1170

The pay shown opposite each rank is the maximum possible under the several bills. The 1928 dollar is estimated at being worth .488 in terms of 1908 purchasing power.

MARINE FORCE TO STAY.

American Marines are expected to remain in Nicaragua until after the inauguration of President-elect Moncada in January, according to an announcement made recently by Secretary of the Navy Wilbur.

Marine Corps Orders

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Fike to Second Brigade, Nicaragua, via U. S. A. T. Cambray; J. M. Ranc to M. B. N. Y., for duty, and to Nav. Hosp., N. Y., for treat; 1st Lt. J. L. Moody, orders modified to M. B. Parris Island, S. C.

November 26, 1928.

Maj. C. F. B. Price to MB, Quantico, Va.; Capt. W. N. Best, A. Q. M., to MB, Navy Yard, Mare Island, Calif.; H. M. H. Fleming from special temporary duty beyond the seas with the Second Brigade, Nicaragua, to MB, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.; C. C. Gill to MD, AL, Peking, China; D. J. Kendall to MB, Quantico, Va.

First Lts. A. H. Fricke assigned to Hdqrs. Department of the Pacific, San Francisco, Calif.; W. F. McDonnell assigned to MB, Navy Yard, Mare Island, Calif., for treatment; S. L. Zea to MD, U. S. S. Antares, and to special temporary duty beyond the seas with the Second Brigade, Nicaragua; Mar. Gnr. W. Keogh to MB, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., and to NH, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., for treatment.

November 27, 1928.

The following officers detached Third Brigade, China, to stations indicated via U. S. S. Chaumont scheduled to sail from Chinwangtao, China, on November 22nd to Patrol Squadron Three, N. S. Guam; Capt. W. G. Farrell, 1st Lts. J. F. Plachta, J. N. Smith, W. C. Lemly, Chf. Mar. Gnr. J. Roeller, to A. S., E. C. E. F. M. B. Quantico, Va.; Lt. Col. T. C. Turner, 1st Lt. H. A. Carr, to A. S., W. C. E. F. N. A. S., San Diego, Calif.; 1st Lt. W. J. Wallace, to M. C. B., N. O. B., San Diego, Calif.; Capt. J. P. Smith, C. W. Lezette, 1st Lts. E. G. Hagen, E. H. Price, W. W. Wensinger, 2nd Lts. G. H. Steenberg, F. J. Uhlig.

November 30, 1928.

1st Lt. J. W. Beckett, to M. B. N. Yd., Mare Island, Calif. 1st Lt. B. W. Atkinson, to M. C. B., N. O. B., San Diego, Calif.

TO INSPECT RESERVE.

The Naval Reserve Inspection Board will conduct an inspection of Naval Reserve Units in the following cities: Hartford, Conn., Dec. 12; Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 13; New Haven, Conn., Dec. 14.

Comdr. A. W. Sears, U. S. N., and Comdr. R. C. Williams, U. S. N., from the Department, will make the inspection, aided by Lt. J. B. Barrett, 3rd, Naval District, New York.

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Promotion Survey Comment

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Field Artillery.

"Favor Reed Senate bill as best present solution."

"Pass it. I don't care whether it is a separate bill or not."

"I am more interested in pay than promotion."

"Favor bill sponsored by Mr. McSwain in the House and Mr. Black in the Senate."

"The present bills in Congress are fostered by a group who are trying to 'kyp' the old provisionals and after their own aggrandizement."

"Sound and sane principles productive of efficiency and morale."

"Do not favor any plan to change the promotion list."

"Bill should include a change in the promotion list to correct injustices done in 1920. This circular appears to be trying

to defeat a change in the promotion list. An unfair attitude for a Service paper."

"Separate change in promotion list from the above principles—but add principle of increase in pay."

"Favor all and enforced eliminations to get rid of the malcontents."

"The Army and Navy Journal has made a most favorable impression on the former 'provisionals' and others adversely affected by the Black bill, due to its nonpartisan attitude and its determined effort to get the true sentiment of the services as a whole on this most important matter."

"I believe the service is more interested in the Navy Pay Bill."

"Equal pay for married or unmarried."

"Give an officer something to look forward to as a reward for honest and faithful service."

"New Pay Bill similar to Navy—Revision of 1920 'debacle'—All regular officers ought to have a position on the reserve list commensurate with positions of other reserve officers."

"Stated grade after a certain number of years' service."

Coast Artillery Corps.

"Try to help Second Lieutenants."

"Your survey should develop sentiment of commissioned personnel better than any other method. Let's have it."

"Do something this session of Congress."

"Some of the above votes are alternatives in case of failure of others."

"Revise the promotion list, by all means, on a basis of reasonable expectancy at date of original commission. In Regular Army, I was penalized 8,000 files without any redress. I had no chance to go to a training camp, or take an examination for Captaincy in 1920, being already in the Regular Army."

"Increase 'limited list' and enforce. I would rather be a lieutenant and eat than a general and starve."

"The major issue is the promotion list. All else is subsidiary."

"Good work, Journal! The Service owes you a debt of gratitude."

"The above is sufficient in itself."

"Increased pay! Yes. Yes."

"In case men in the hump are dissatisfied, there is no law which prevents resignation."

"Also revision of the promotion list with no constructive service."

"And let the promotion list alone. No good can be accomplished."

"The present promotion system is ideal, but if there must be legislation, let it be as above indicated. Proposed revision of promotion list is an outrage."

"Just right."

"Why limit to Lieutenant Colonels?"

"Do something."

"Consider revision of promotion list unwise."

"Leave the promotion list alone."

Air Corps.

"Favor upward revision of pay schedules."

"Allowance for time spent as flying cadet should be allowed."

"I believe there should be a time limit

for retirement with compensation, and that it should be only a temporary measure."

"Against revision of promotion list."

"If there is any chance of it—(d)—passing."

"Suggest separate bill for each one if necessary so as to get some action and stop the argument."

"Favor 'Single List' for Air Corps, as per pending bill."

"I also favor change in laws to give Air Corps a 'square deal'."

"I favor the passage of the Furlow Bill."

"Favor Furlow Bill as passed by House."

"I favor original Furlow Bill above all others."

"Favor Furlow Bill for Air Corps promotion."

"Proposed Furlow Bill appears good."

"(c-4) Inefficient officers by 'B' Board only."

Quartermaster Corps.

"Raise pay."

"Believe retirement of all officers not physically fit will eliminate 75 per cent of the hump. I am one of them not fit for Field Service, but can't retire."

"Am not in favor of any legislation at this time."

"If they retire all those who wish it after 30 years' service, and retire all with physical disability, there will be no need of further discussion."

"Stop publishing those individual self-seeking agitation letters."

"Increase in pay."

"You can't satisfy everyone, and if all are combined some sorehead will blab program."

"Revision of pay."

"There is a need for pay increase."

"Constructive service from date of discharge from Emergency Commission to Regular Commission."

"I believe any enforced separation other than for cause, unjust and unfair. Promotion is the inducement that held most of the officers and was deciding factor in selection of career."

"Service in National Guard as enlisted man to count in pay computation as now applied to officers of National Guard."

"Promotion list should not be changed."

"Readjustment of promotion list, yes."

"If this passes all concerned will be benefited."

"I favor readjustment of the promotion list."

"I am in favor of revising the promotion list."

"I do not favor any changes in the present promotion list."

Signal Corps.

"I am against the Black-McSwain Bill. I favor the Reed Bill. No change in promotion list."

"These items can be made part of an annual appropriation bill if needed."

"I favor a bill for increased pay or a readjustment of pay according to grade and responsibility."

"I favor the findings made by the Simonds Board."

"I favor a separate bill for each principle."

"Credit on promotion list for all active commissioned service."

"Some relief in the matter of pay is recommended. Pay of officers on duty in cities is at present inadequate."

"Anything that will, at the same time treating others fairly, tend to increase promotion or pay, or both, is acceptable."

"Promotion by examination."

"Do not favor retention of present promotion list or any scheme based thereon."

Retired.

"I believe by making the retired list attractive, will greatly relieve the situation, inasmuch as present retired list is very unattractive."

"Raise pay of officers to equal cost of living."

"Place all available retired officers on duty."

"Restrictions on retired officers being employed are viciously unjust."

"Good work. More power to you."

"For revision of promotion list."

"It is a shock and hardship for any man

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to change his profession, whatever that profession may be, after years in it; and the transition should be humanely liberal to him."

"Handicapped by present restrictions."

"A clause should be added providing promotion for retired officers for active service rendered since retirement."

"In addition: Properly to remove and prevent humps in future. I believe where large bodies of officers are admitted at one time as in 1898 and 1920 their lineal rank amongst themselves should be according to AGE and even at this late date I favor revision. Juniors in age when seniors in rank are the cause of humps."

"Consider it necessary that Army officers have reliable tenure of office."

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Army: Senator Reed, Representative Morin and James Endorse Survey; Army Legislation Discussed; Officers Chart Effect of McSwain Bill Promotion List Revision; Navy Pay Decision Reversed.

Navy-Marine Corps: Britten Outlines Navy Legislation; Cruiser Bill Passage Prospect Held Bright; Navy Dental Service Discussed by Rear Adm. E. R. Stitt; Strength of Fleet Marine Corps Reserve Companies Increased?

If not, you did not read the *Army and Navy Journal*. You cannot secure this vital information from any other source.

Aeronautical Notes

LETTERS of commendation for the efficient manner in which the Presidential air-mail was handled last summer between Chicago and the Summer White House at Brule, Wisconsin, were issued Nov. 28 by Assistant Secretary of War Davison, the following officers: Maj. H. H. Arnold, 1st Lt. C. T. Skow, 2nd Lt. C. C. Coppin, D. E. Broughton, R. E. Pirtle, J. H. Atkinson, L. F. Duncan, H. E. Rice and L. C. Blackburn.

The 95th Pursuit Squadron, Rockwell Field, Coronado, Cal., has revived the war time insignia—A Kicking Jackass. This is being painted on both sides of the PW-9's of the 95th Squadron. The noses of the planes are also being painted a bright red.

Some of the Reserve Officers now on active duty at Marshall Field, Fort Riley, Kans., will take the examination for appointment in the Air Corps, Regular Army, on Dec. 17. The examination is being held earlier this year due to a large number of vacancies, and the time left for preparation is short.

Those Reserve Officers who expect to take the examination are listed below, as follows: Lts. G. F. Hix, W. Erickson, R. R. Walker, R. E. L. Pirtle, D. E. Broughton, R. O. Brownfield.

First Lieut. Clarence C. Crumrine, Air Corps, who was the advance man in Greenland for the Around-the-World Flight, recently arrived for duty in the Hawaiian Department and was assigned to duty with the 18th Pursuit Group at Wheeler Field, Schofield Barracks, T. H.

Lt. Crumrine is the third officer connected with that epic achievement to be assigned to Hawaii. Capt. L. H. Smith, commander of the flight, is now stationed at Wheeler Field, and Lt. R. J. Brown, whose organizing ability made the flight possible, is on duty as Assistant Air Officer of the Hawaiian Department.

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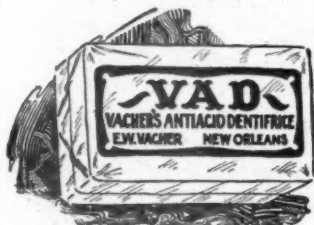
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Plan Air Corps Maneuvers

THE Air Corps Maneuvers for the Spring of 1929 will be conducted on the most elaborate scale thus far attempted in the history of this branch of the military establishment. Air demonstrations will be given at the various Service Schools of the Army, and in a maneuver at Kelly Field, Texas, at least 200 airplanes will participate.

War strength squadrons of Pursuit, Bombardment and Attack aviation will stage demonstrations at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Fort Benning, Georgia; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Fort Riley, Kansas, and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. These demonstrations will be similar in scope to those given in the Spring of 1928.

At the completion of these demonstrations, all available Air Corps units will be concentrated by air in the vicinity of Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and Norton Field, Columbus, Ohio, to conduct a two-sided Air Corps maneuver. The units participating in this maneuver will be the First Pursuit Group from Selfridge Field, Mt. Clemens, Michigan; the Second Bombardment Group from Langley Field, Virginia; the Third Attack Group from Fort Crockett, Galveston, Texas; the 9th Observation Group from Mitchel Field, New York; the 11th Bombardment Squadron and the 95th Pursuit Squadron from Rockwell Field, Coronado, California; the 15th Observation Squadron from Selfridge Field, Michigan; the 16th Observation Squadron from Marshall Field, Fort Riley, Kansas; the advanced class of the Air Corps Flying School at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, and the Air Corps Tactical School at Langley Field, Virginia. It is contemplated that this two-sided maneuver will be conducted with at least 100 airplanes on each side. These operations will continue for a period of approximately five days, after which these units will operate as the Air Corps of an Army under the command of Maj. Gen. Dennis Nolan, commanding the Fifth Corps Area. The Corps Area Staff will function as the Staff of the Army.

This last phase of the maneuvers will consist of a theoretical war problem in which ground troops will be simulated and air troops will be actual. Upon completion of this problem the various units will return to their home stations.

It is calculated that the average distance each unit will travel in all phases of these maneuvers from their home stations to the scene of the activities will be approximately 4,000 miles.

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Radio Notes

TESTS of the one-KW high-frequency radio transmitter, recently installed at Ft. Myer, Va., were reported this week by the Signal Corps Message Center to be demonstrating the satisfactory character of the new apparatus. Very pleasing results were obtained in the transcontinental use of the transmitter, and it is intended to make the service continuous.

Extra arrangements are being made by the Navy Department to provide for the extra radio traffic between Mr. Hoover's ships, the U. S. S. Maryland and the U. S. S. Utah, and to maintain adequate communication facilities between these ships and naval radio stations.

The Navy radio shore stations which are best suited to maintain communications are San Diego, Calif., and Balboa, C. Z., with the Maryland and Washington, San Juan, P. R., and Balboa with the Utah. High frequencies are obligatory because of the distances involved. Messages to and from the Maryland pass through the San Diego station. At San Diego official messages are routed to destination, relayed by radio on the Pacific Coast, and to Washington for distribution on the Atlantic Coast. Press and private messages are routed to destination via commercial wires at San Diego. Washington will maintain direct communication with the Utah during her half of the cruise.

During the football season ending today Naval Communications of the Navy Department has been sending out play by play bulletins of all Navy and Army games on a high frequency wave length in order that distant ships and stations might share in the reception of accounts.

An order recently issued by the Chief of Naval Operations to Commandants, Naval Districts, Fleet, Force and Unit Commanders, effective today, provides that all Class E messages filed through district center radio stations will be filed with domestic wire companies at domestic rates or radio rates dependent upon which rate is the cheaper.

Traffic transmitted through any one of the following naval shore stations will receive the benefit of domestic rates: Boston, Newport, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Norfolk, Key West, San Diego, San Francisco, Bremerton and Astoria.

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LEGION URGES CRUISERS.

Chicago (Special).—The American Legion was called upon here recently by the National Commander, Col. P. V. McNutt, to engage in a campaign of educating the public in support of President Coolidge's declaration of the necessity of additional cruisers.

TO STUDY MOUNT.

A board to consist of the following officers has been appointed to investigate the Christie caterpillar mount with a view to determining its suitability as a heavy armored car: Lt. Col. J. J. O'Hara, Cav.; Maj. G. S. Patton, Jr., Cav.; H. A. Flint, Cav.; C. C. Benson, Cav.



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Lt. Col. J. T. Moore, S. C., Ala.; Brig. Gen. J. A. Haggerty, Inf., Conn.; Lt. Col. W. E. Guthner, Inf., Colo.; Lt. Col. W. F. Hemingway, Inf., Ill.; Lt. Col. O. K. Yeager, Inf., Ill.; Lt. Col. G. S. Penney, Mass.; Maj. Wallace A. Choquith, Mass.; Col. D. J. Markey, Inf., Md.; Lt. Col. Jos. A. Mundy, A. G. D., N. Y.; Lt. Col. W. J. Jones, N. Y.; Lt. Col. Baker, N. D.; Maj. M. A. Munoz, P. R.; Col. W. H. Sanders, F. A., Va.; Lt. Col. H. J. Welber, F. A., Tex., and Col. P. B. Clemens, Inf., Wis.

MARYLAND.

Baltimore (Special).—Governor Albert C. Ritchie has selected Pvt. J. E. Bastion, jr., Howitzer Company, 1st Infantry, for the entrance examination, Cadet, United States Military Academy, March 5. As the result of an examination, November 7, Private Bastion is No. 1 in a list of 13 enlisted men of the Maryland National Guard competing for the appointment, in filling a vacancy available July 1, 1929.

An indoor rifle competition has been organized for companies of the 1st Infantry in the Eastern Shore District, January-March, 1929. For the winning company, the prize is a large silver loving cup; with a prize for each member of the winning team and one for the man having the highest total for the three scores of the competition.

1st Lt. C. H. McCleary has been promoted to the grade of Captain, in the 1st Infantry.

2d Lt. J. H. Arther, jr., 58th Brigade Headquarters Company, and 2d Lt. John G. Jory, 110th Field Artillery, have been Federally recognized by the Militia Bureau.

Brig. Gen. M. A. Reckord, the Brigade Commander, inspected the 5th Infantry, at the Fifth Regiment Armory, Baltimore.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

AT an elaborate ceremonial in the Washington Auditorium Tuesday night, the Rifle Team of the D. C. National Guard were presented the Hilton trophy by Assistant Secretary of War Davis.

Marksmen's medals were at the same time awarded to Lieuts. T. A. Riley, E. A. McMahon, H. Everett, jr., H. C. Espey, Sergeants G. B. Campbell and W. R. Lane, and Privates E. A. Ross and T. A. Reneau, all of the 121st Engineers; Sergeant W. G. Nicholson, 29th Military Police; and Corp. P. C. Genzel, 260th Coast Artillery.

FORT DOUGLAS WINTER SPORTS

Ft. Douglas (Special).—The winter athletic season has opened up with strong basketball and bowling tournaments. Ten teams have been entered for basketball.

By the middle of December all the games shall have been played and a post team will be organized from the high rankers. Cos. "E," "M" and "H" seem to be leading the field. Games are held four nights a week in the gymnasium. The large attendance at every game and the enthusiasm manifested testify to the popularity of this form of sport. The bowling teams, 12 of them, began recently. The tournament is expected to continue all winter. Games are held in the afternoon. It has been suggested that a team of fat men be organized with the avowed purpose of restoring some conspicuous waist lines to their former sylph-like measurements. Bowling is the finest exercise in the world for a fat man.

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Ganuzzi, West Coast Army	L. H. B.	Dabney, Ft. Crook
Speicher, West Coast Army	F. R.	Murrell, West Point

Honorable mention: Backs—Nave, West Point; Lloyd, Annapolis; Hannegan, Newport Training Station (Navy); Blough, West Coast Army; Tout, West Coast Army; Dean and Howard, Ft. Snelling. Ends: Carlmark, West Point; Chase, West Coast Army. Guards: Barker, West Coast Army; Birney, Ft. Snelling.

Journal Picks Fourth All-Service Eleven

THIS year the Army and Navy Journal presents to the Service its fourth All-Service Eleven in as many consecutive years. Inaugurated in 1925, in order to extend adequate recognition to Service gridiron players of outstanding merit, it has been received with general approval in the Services.

Selections are made each year on the basis of reports by Army, Navy and Marine Corps officers who are close followers of and experts on football, as well as by personal observation of the Journal staff.

For 1928, "Chris" Cagle and Sprague, of West Point, again make the first All-Service eleven. Their consistent stellar performances as right halfback and tackle, respectively, make them obvious first choices on any "All-Eleven." The remainder of the first All-Service Eleven consists of players who, during the current season, sprang into prominence by reason of excellent work in several games. Brilliant performances in one game were counted, but selections were not made on the basis of a single game, the season's general work having the greatest weight. For this reason Lloyd, the Navy's star back, receives only honorable mention. Covered all season by opponents, he failed to live up to general expectations until the Princeton game.

Marines End Selections.

For ends, Whitfield and Phillips, of the Marine Corps eleven, were first choices due to their coordinate play. They showed up in such fashion in contests with numerous colleges that they were accorded by many as worthy of "All-selection caliber" had they played on a college team. Messinger of West Point and Moret, of Annapolis, were big aids to their respective teams, getting under punts fast, tackling accurately and showing all-around ability to snag passes, both their own and opponents. Carlmark, of West Point, is also a consistently good player. Chase, West Coast Army, a Medical Corps private, is conceded by West Coast sports writers as turning in one of "the best performances in the close of the season" they ever witnessed.

The tackles mentioned need no special introduction. Wilson, of Annapolis, and Perry, of West Point, are equally good and could be played interchangeably at right tackle. Sprague, of West Point, has Bowstrom, of Annapolis, shaded for left tackle, although the latter performed in All-American fashion.

The guards placed on the first All-Service eleven, Hammack, of West Point, and Burke, of Annapolis, are the two best Service guards produced during the current season. Burke generally plays left guard position, but was shifted to right guard on the mythical eleven and would undoubtedly play that position well. Cpl. L. Barnes, 30th Infantry, placed at right guard on the second eleven, is hailed by Pacific Coast sport followers as a "crack guard" and his playing entitles him to this place. Millner, Co. F, 3d Infantry, is a big, courageous and smart guard, exceptionally fast. Army officers who have seen him in action think his work equal to that of ranking college guards. Pvt. 1 cl. D. E. Barker, 6th Engrs., has made a splendid

record with the West Coast Army team while Cpl. Birney, Co. L, Third Infantry, is reported as a fine running guard, strong on offense and defense and very effective on interference.

Farwick Center Choice.

There were not many outstanding centers this season. Of those who played good football, with a minimum of bad passes and fine defensive work, were Lt. "Gus" Farwick, 11th Cavalry, and Pvt. 1 cl. Jerome Bozick, 18th F. A. The latter played the game of "roving center" so well that he drew fulsome praise from coaches, players and sports experts in the Northwest. However, on general performance reports, Farwick, West Coast Army, is thought the more balanced player.

When the backfield is considered, there is a galaxy of Service stars sufficient to make up four or five "All-Elevens." Cadet "Chris" Cagle, who will probably be the unanimous choice of leading sports experts for a halfback position on all the "All" teams, gets our vote for that position on the All-Service eleven. Midshipman Gannon, of Annapolis, is second choice. Good for consistent gains as a ball-carrier, a stonewall on defense, effective in interference, he would undoubtedly have secured a better position on ranking this year if the Annapolis eleven had not begun the season so badly. Ganuzzi, West Coast Army, couldn't be stopped by the Stanford line this year—a thing few backs can boast about. Cpl. Marvin Speicher, 11th Cavalry, is considered All-American caliber by West Coast sport writers, who rank him as the "best backfield player" in that section. Mickey, of Ft. Snelling, a Sgt., Co. B, 3d Infantry, is an exceptionally good punter and drop kicker and is described as "the best field general ever seen on an Army team." He is accurate on forward passes and a good ball-carrier although he weighs only 133 pounds.

Lt. Dabney, of Ft. Crook, Nebraska, has turned in performances which have gained him a place as right halfback on the second eleven. If he had been on a larger Service team and attracted more attention, many would have selected him for general honors. Woods, picked for quarter on the second eleven, is well known on the West Coast where he became a star of the San Diego Marine eleven. Dabney, of Ft. Crook, and Murrell, of West Point, merit places on the first eleven, but are rated slightly below Ganuzzi and Speicher as backs. Those receiving honorable mention, in addition to Nave, of West Point, and Lloyd, of Annapolis, played a good brand of football which would entitle them to places on the backfield of ranking varsity college teams. Hannegan, of the Newport eleven, is a former Naval Academy star. Cpl. Blough, 11th Cavalry, is a runner-up for Speicher on the West Coast Army. Tout is a West Coast Navy mainstay.

Pvt. Dean, 3d Infantry, is a fast man, a good line plunger and a fine blocking back. Pvt. Howard, also 3d Infantry, is strong on offense and defense and has gained fame at Snelling as an exceptionally good broken field runner.

NAVY BASKETEERS START.

Annapolis (Special).—The basketball squad of the Naval Academy has already commenced practice, in preparation for the season which opens here on Dec. 15. The prospective Navy cagers have been under direction of three great players of the past, Lt. Will Ault, Ens. Ken Craig and Ens. Bill Howard. Good material from last year includes C. Miller and Farrin, regulars, and Carmichael and Allen, of the squad. Dennett, a 1926-27 star who was crippled last year, was injured again this week.

POLO TOURNEY HELD.

Ft. Oglethorpe (Special).—The two 6th Cavalry polo teams, of Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., recently completed a series of four games with Ft. McPherson and the Governor's Horse Guards, at Atlanta. The games were as follows: Ft. Oglethorpe defeated Horse Guards, 6-5; Oglethorpe Freebooters lost to Ft. McPherson, 7-5; Horse Guards beat Freebooters, 8-4; Ft. McPherson beat Oglethorpe Cavalry, 6-5.

SPEAKING of SPORTS

ARMY closes its football season today in what should prove a bang-up game—the Cadets being sure that they will do the banging.

Navy, which started its grid schedule like a lamb, finished like a lion by defeating the Tiger. And that doesn't get the Navy's goat either, to continue speaking Zoologically.

This afternoon the Navy and Marine Corps teams battle for the President's Cup. Army has won it once and the Marine Corps three times straight. The odds today are even, which is odd. We look for a Marine victory.

The soldiers didn't enter a team in the President's Cup contest this year. War Department authorities have grown so solicitous of their Corps Area schedules they fear to disturb them. We hope the fever doesn't extend to West Point and lead to abolition of the varsity for fear inter-mural sports suffer.

A dispatch from Fort Douglas, Utah states bowling is a great game for fat men. This sounds a bit thick.

Army Meets Stanford

West Point (Special).—The Army eleven winds up its schedule today at Yankee Stadium, New York, meeting Leland Stanford's formidable aggregation.

Last Saturday the Army made a good start toward a dramatic seasonal finish, coming up from behind in the third quarter of its game with Nebraska her to score a 13-3 win.

The rally started with a 26-yard pass by Cagle to Messinger. On the next play, after faking a pass to Murrell, Cagle wove through tackle after tackle for a touchdown. In the fourth quarter, Hutchinson's interception of one of Nebraska's passes brought the ball to the latter's 32-yard line. On another play Hutchinson threw a long pass to Allen, who made the final touchdown.

Following is the Army line-up: Carlmark, left end; Sprague, left tackle; Hammack, left guard; Hall, center; Humber, right guard; Perry, right tackle; Messinger, right end; Nave, quarterback; O'Keefe, left halfback; Cagle, right halfback; and Murrell, fullback.

The Army's record for this season is:

Army	
Boston University	35-0
Southern Methodist	14-13
Providence College	44-0
Harvard	15-0
Yale	18-6
De Pauw	28-12
*Notre Dame	6-12
Carleton College	32-7
Nebraska	13-3
Leland Stanford	??

*Games lost.

Navy Defeats Tigers

Annapolis (Special).—The Navy last Saturday brought its season to a brilliant finish by a 9-0 win over the hitherto unbeaten Princeton team at Philadelphia, before a crowd of some 50,000 spectators.

Whitey Lloyd, playing his last game with the midshipmen, ran 76 yards for a touchdown, and in the fourth period he kicked a field-goal from placement from the 28-yard line.

The Navy's lineup is as follows: Moret, left end; Bowstrom, left tackle; Burke, left guard; Hughes, center; Koenke, right guard; Wilson, right tackle; Byng, right end; Welch, quarterback; Lloyd, left halfback; Gannon, right halfback, and Clifton, fullback.

PLAN RIFLE LEAGUE.

Ft. Des Moines (Special).—Plans for a City Rifle Team League were recently formulated. Twelve organizations have agreed to enter teams in a series of matches after Jan. 1. The organizations entered are: Cos. E, F and G, 17th Infantry, Machine Gun Troop, and Tr. E of the 14th Cavalry, Cos. A, B and C of the 168th Infantry of Des Moines, the Post Office Rifle Club of Des Moines, the Baldwin-Paterson Post of the American Legion; and, possibly, a team from the Reserve Officers' Association of the city. Preliminary matches will start Dec. 6.

RUSSELL BASKETBALL PLANNED.

Ft. D. A. Russell (Special).—The basketball season will soon get under way. The 1st Infantry, 20th Infantry and 76th Field Artillery will each have a team in the Post League. Extensive schedules have been prepared by all teams, and the fans can be assured of seeing the Service teams playing the strongest college teams in Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming.

OBITUARIES

Announcement of deaths should be addressed to Editorial Office, Army and Navy Journal, Architects Building, Washington, D. C.

THE Naval Service and the country have lost an able and highly respected officer in the death of Rear Adm. Frank Friday Fletcher, ret. Adm. Fletcher died at St. Luke's Hospital, New York, on Wednesday last. His remains were interred at Arlington on Friday. Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Susan Hunt Stetson Fletcher, and their two daughters, Mrs. Sybil Avery Hubble and Miss Alice Stetson Fletcher.

The career of Adm. Fletcher is one which reflects great credit upon the Navy. Born at Oskaloosa, Iowa, on Nov. 23, 1855, he was appointed to the Naval Academy and on graduation was assigned to the Tuscarora. Cruising with her in the Far East, what became known as the "Tuscarora Deep" was discovered. On the Ticonderoga, he witnessed the treaty negotiations with Korea. He did excellent work during a yellow fever epidemic at Panama. A close student, he became an expert in torpedo boats, submarines and gunnery, and invented a number of valuable mechanisms for guns, etc. He was in command of the Naval Force which in 1914 seized and occupied Vera Cruz, handling the operation in masterly style. In recognition of his service and particularly the temper, statesmanship and command ability shown by him at Vera Cruz (for which he was decorated with the D. S. C.) he was made Commander-in-Chief of the Fleet in September, 1914, and given the rank of admiral in March, 1915. During the World War he was a member of the General Board, wherein the worth of his views and judgment was recognized. He was a member of the Morrow Aircraft Board, which so largely guided Government policy in connection with air administration. He was a technical adviser of the American Disarmament Commission at Geneva.

The pall bearers on the occasion of the interment at Arlington were:

Rear Adm. Harry M. Huse, U. S. N., Ret.; Rear Adm. Joseph Strauss, U. S. N., Ret.; Rear Adm. Spencer S. Wood, U. S. N., Ret.; Rear Adm. Hugh Rodman, U. S. N., Ret.; Rear Adm. W. L. Rodgers, U. S. N., Ret.; and Capt. A. C. Hodgson, U. S. N., Ret. Capt. Curtis Dickinson, (Ch. C.) officiated.

No words are adequate to express the feelings of the Navy at the loss of Adm. Fletcher. He was representative of the best traditions of the Service, and his career is one for his successors to emulate.

In memory of Capt. James Proctor Morton, U. S. N., ret., a friend and brother officer has written the following testimonial:

"Sam Morton is dead. God rest his soul. His friends were legion. Sometimes they did not understand what he did, but they loved him none the less.

His life was imbued with tragedy and he caused sorrow to some, but never with evil intent.

His cheery ironic humor was a joy to his friends, even though they knew his life was full of bitterness and regrets.

The day before he died he laughed about his condition with the dry humor that was his most salient characteristic.

Dear Old Sam, we shall miss you. What sorrows you had you kept to yourself, but

you were prodigal in sharing your joys and ours.

A word of farewell and a tribute to his memory from one of many who loved him."

Mrs. Fanny Elizabeth Farley, widow of Brig. Gen. Joseph Pearson Farley, U. S. A., formerly Colonel of Ordnance, U. S. A., died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Blake, at Biltmore, N. C., on Nov. 18, in her 85th year, after an illness of two months. Mrs. Farley was the daughter of the late Edward L. Brinley, Esq., of Philadelphia and Newport, R. I., and a great niece of Maj. Gen. Jacob Brown, U. S. A. She is survived by two children, Godfrey Pearson Farley, of Garden City, N. Y., and Mrs. Blake, widow of Col. Edmund M. Blake, Artillery Corps, U. S. A., four grandchildren and four great grandchildren. The services were held at Fletcher, N. C., in Calvary Episcopal Church and she was buried on Nov. 21 at West Point, N. Y., beside her husband.

FORM GUARD DISBURSING ASS'N.

At a luncheon at the Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs National Park, Ark., November 14, 1928, attended by U. S. Property and Disbursing Officers in the several States, in attendance at the 1928 annual convention of the National Guard Association of the United States, an Association of U. S. Property and Disbursing Officers was formed:

Upon motion of Col. LeRoy Pearson, Mich.; Col. R. J. Shand, Ill.; and Maj. Edw. Woodford, Ark., were unanimously elected president and secretary, respectively, of the Association of U. S. Property and Disbursing Officers.

Col. Shand then appointed a committee, to formulate a constitution and by-laws for the new association, composed of Col. LeRoy Pearson, Mich.; Lt. Col. F. H. Gouaux, La.; and Maj. G. W. Morrill, New Hampshire.

President Shand also appointed a legislative committee composed of Lt. Col. J. H. Dunkel, Kan.; Col. C. W. Harris, Ariz.; and Lt. Col. R. A. Rossburg, Minn.

The purpose of the Association is to coordinate the supply of the National Guard of the several States and to afford a medium for concentrated action of United States Property and Disbursing Officers.

TWO ARMY BILLS URGED.

DRAFTS of two bills were sent by the War Department this week to the Military Committees of both Houses:

The first of the measures, proposed by Secretary of War Davis, provides for the replacement of the cannon-powder blending unit at the Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N. J., to replace that destroyed by a fire occurring on July 31 of this year. This was the only plant for the purpose operated by and under control of the Army. Such a blender is held essential to quantity production of various kinds of powder now in wide Army use. Modern fireproof, safe and economical construction is urged. Previous legislation relative to the Picatinny Arsenal did not provide funds for this blending unit.

A second proposal, forwarded by Acting Secretary Robbins, provides for disposition of the bodies of individuals in civilian components of the Army meeting death in the line of duty. The existing law places a limitation of \$100 in such cases, which is often inadequate. It is estimated that the cost to the Government as a result of passing this amendment would be about \$500.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

BORN

BRIDGMAN—Born on Nov. 21, 1928, to Lt. and Mrs. Richard H. Bridgman, 4th Cav., U. S. A., of Fort Meade, S. D., a son, grandson of Capt. and Mrs. T. J. McGrath, Q. M. C., U. S. A., of Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

CALDWELL—Born on Nov. 22, 1928, at Dayton, Ohio, to Lt. and Mrs. Charles H. Caldwell, Air Corps, U. S. A., Wright Field, Ohio, a daughter, Jane Oliver.

CARRINGTON—Born at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Nov. 27, 1928, to Lt. George C. Carrington, Inf., U. S. A., and Mrs. Carrington, a son, George Cabell, jr.

CARSON—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., Nov. 23, 1928, to Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. John H. Carson, U. S. N., a son, Ralph Carson.

DEARING—Born at Managua, Nicaragua, Oct. 28, 1928, to Lt. Comdr. A. H. Dearing, M. C., U. S. N., and Mrs. Dearing, a son, Arthur Herbert Dearing, 2nd.

DUTY—Born on Oct. 19, 1928, at Sternberg General Hospital, Manila, Philippine Islands, to Maj. and Mrs. W. B. Duty, Air Corps, U. S. A., a daughter, Audrey Ann.

GILBERT—Born at Emergency Hospital, Annapolis, Md., Nov. 15, 1928, to Lt. Ward C. Gilbert, U. S. N., and Mrs. Gilbert, a son, Robert Walker.

HARDY—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., Nov. 25, 1928, to Capt. Rossell E. Hardy, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., and Mrs. Hardy, a daughter.

HASTINGS—Born at Portsmouth Hospital, Portsmouth, N. H., Nov. 9, 1928, to Lt. Warren R. Hastings, U. S. N., and Mrs. Hastings, a daughter.

LEWIS—Born at the station hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., Nov. 10, 1928, to 2nd Lt. John L. Lewis, 12th F. A., U. S. A., and Mrs. Lewis of Fort Sam Houston, a son.

STROH—Born at the station hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., Nov. 11, 1928, to 2nd Lt. Clair Stroh; 46th Sch. Sqdn., A. C., U. S. A., and Mrs. Stroh of Brooks Field, a daughter.

STRONG—Born at Morgantown, W. Va., Nov. 17, 1928, to Lt. Paschal Neilson Strong, jr., Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., and Mrs. Strong a son, Paschal Neilson Strong, 3rd.

WALSH—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., Nov. 27, 1928, to Maj. Roland F. Walsh, Q. M. C., U. S. A., and Mrs. Walsh, a daughter.

MARRIED

DALEY-SHAW—To be married today, Dec. 1, 1928, at Fort Benning, Ga. Miss Betty Shaw, daughter of Col. and Mrs. George Clymer Shaw, U. S. A., of Fort Benning, Ga., to Lt. Edmund K. Daley, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., son of Maj. Edmund L. Daley, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.

ELKSTROM-WOLFSKILL—Married at Los Angeles, Calif., Saturday, Nov. 24, 1928, Miss Edith Frances Wolfskill to Lt. Clarence Eugene Elkstrom, U. S. N. Capt. Leroy N. Taylor, Chaplain, U. S. N., performed the ceremony.

FISHER-MAJOR—To be married today, Dec. 1, 1928, at St. Patrick's Church, Washington, D. C. Miss Frances Major, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Major, of Chevy Chase, Md., to Lt. Dale D. Fisher, Air Corps, U. S. A.

GREENE-GREGORY—Married at the home of the bride's parents in Fieldston, New York City, Oct. 25, 1928, Mrs. Maude Bonner Gregory, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Bonner, to Capt. Merritt Halstead Greene, U. S. A.

HOES-WESTESSON—Married at the Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., Nov. 24, 1928, Miss Ingrid Westesson, daughter of the late Josef Westesson of Sweden, for many years at the Washington Navy Yard as mining engineer, to Mr. Laurence Gouverneur Hoes, son of the late Capt. Roswell Randall Hoes, Chaplain's Corps, U. S. N., and brother of Capt. Gouverneur Hoes, U. S. A., of Fort Slocum, N. Y.

HOWARD-AULTMAN—Married on Nov. 3, 1928, Miss Anita Aultman, daughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Dwight E. Aultman, U. S. A., of Fort Sill, Okla., to Lt. Robert A. Howard, jr., 38th Inf., U. S. A., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Howard, of Ardmore, Okla., a member of the 1928 class U. S. M. A.

KAMMERER-YOUNG—Married at Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbus, Ga., Nov. 24, 1928, Miss Louise Young, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Lawrence W. Young, U. S. A., of Fort Benning, Ga., to Lt. Malcolm Raymond Kammerer, U. S. A., class of 1926, U. S. M. A., son of Mrs. R. L. Kammerer of Woodhaven, L. I., N. Y.

MYER-UNGERN-STERNBERG—Married in Virginia, Nov. 23, 1928, Maj. Albert J. Myer and Baroness Irina Ungern-Sternberg, sister of Baron Renaud Ungern-Sternberg, secretary of the Russian Embassy during the early days of the war and before the fall of the Russian Empire.

NORMAN-MARTIN—Married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Watson in San Diego, Calif., on Saturday, Nov. 17, 1928, Miss Gladys Constance Martin and Lt. Lawrence Norman, U. S. M. C., Chaplain Harrill S. Dyer, U. S. N., officiating. The matron of honor was Mrs. Watson, while Lt. Lewis B. Fuller, U. S. M. C., served as best man.

PUGH-HALTIGAN—To be married this morning, Dec. 1, 1928, at St. Paul's Catholic Church, Washington, D. C.; Miss Mary Margaret Haltigan, daughter of Patrick J. Haltigan, chief reading clerk of the House of Representatives, to Lt. Edward L. Pugh, Air Service, U. S. M. C.

ROOK-PARSONS—Married at Oakland, Calif., Nov. 13, 1928, Lt. (j. g.) Eugene Clark Rook, U. S. N., and Miss Edith Russell Parsons.

WISEMAN-HORTON—Married at the Post Chapel, Fort Screven, Ga., Nov. 25, 1928, Miss Mary Lucy Horton, daughter of Mrs. Robert Wynne Horton and the late Capt. Horton, M. C., U. S. A., to Lt. Vera Huffman Wiseman, U. S. A.

DIED

BRADFORD—Died at Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 19, 1928, Baur deB. Bradford, son of the late Capt. Robert F. Bradford, U. S. N., and brother of Miss Pauline B. Bradford, Mrs. Jansen, wife of Lt. Col. T. E. Jansen, F. D., U. S. A.; Mrs. Treadwell, wife of Col. T. C. Treadwell, U. S. M. C., ret., and Mrs. Richardson, wife of Comdr. R. R. Richardson, M. C., U. S. N.

BUCK—Died at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Nov. 28, 1928, Mrs. Clara Maynard Buck, widow of Samuel Wells Buck and mother of Mrs. Patrick William Guiney, wife of Col. P. W. Guiney, Quartermaster Corps, U. S. A.

BURGER—Died as the result of an airplane accident near Spokane, Wash., Nov. 23, 1928, Lt. Louis Dee Burger, Wash., N. G.

COLLINGS—Died at Sawtelle Soldiers Home, Calif., Nov. 19, 1928, Capt. Edward Zane Collings, who served in the World War and was cited for bravery in the battle of the Argonne. He was 42 years of age and is survived by his widow, two daughters and one son.

DAVIS—Died at Washington, D. C., Nov. 23, 1928, Mrs. Melissa E. Davis, widow of Capt. George P. Davis, U. S. V. Interment was in Arlington National Cemetery, Va.

DUNLOP—Died as the result of an airplane accident near Spokane, Wash., Nov. 23, 1928, Sgt. Kenneth I. Dunlop, 116th Obs. Sqn., Wash. N. G.

EDWARDS—Died suddenly at Fort Clayton, C. Z., Nov. 28, 1928, Col. L. S. Edwards, U. S. A., commanding officer at Fort Clayton.

FARLEY—Died at Biltmore, N. C., on Nov. 18, 1928, Mrs. Fanny Elizabeth Farley (nee Brinley), in her 85th year, widow of Brig. Gen. Joseph Pearson Farley, U. S. A., and mother of Godfrey P. Farley and Mrs. Blake, widow of Col. Edmund M. Blake, C. A. C., U. S. A. Interment at West Point, N. Y.

FLEMING—Died at Brockville, Canada, Mrs. Louise W. Fleming, Army hostess who rang the Verdun Cathedral bell announcing the signing of the armistice in 1918, and whose work with the 26th Division, Maj. Gen. Edwards commanding, won her the French Croix de guerre.

FLETCHER—Died at St. Luke's Hospital, New York City, Nov. 28, 1928, Adm. Frank F. Fletcher, U. S. N., ret., aged 73 years. Interment in Arlington National Cemetery, Va.

FRISBY—Died in Washington, D. C., Nov. 28, 1928, Mrs. Laura Ebert Frisby, widow of Commodore Edgar Frisby, U. S. N.

GILROY—Died on the evening of Nov. 17, 1928, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. F. Damon, jr., Lansdowne, Pa., Mrs. Henry Engard Gilroy, mother of Mrs. Howard C. Price, wife of Col. Howard C. Price, Inf., U. S. A.

HARM—Died at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., Nov. 17, 1928, Mrs. Winifred S. Harm, wife of Capt. Paul B. Harm, U. S. A., ret.

HARVEY—Died at Fort Adams, R. I., Nov. 28, 1928, Mrs. Minnie Daves Harvey, of Bangor, Me., widow of Dr. Austin L. Harvey, and mother of Capt. Leigh I. Harvey, U. S. A., of Fort Adams; Dr. Clifford D. Harvey and Mrs. Warren G. Brewer.

JAYNE—Died at his home in Newport, R. I., as the result of apoplexy, Rear Adm. Joseph Lee Jayne, U. S. N., ret.

KELTON—Died on Nov. 22, 1928, at the Naval Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., Col. Allan C. Kelton, U. S. M. C., ret.

KNEASS—Died recently, Mr. Strickland L. Kneass, father-in-law of the eldest daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Jann Forre Hines, U. S. N., of Philadelphia, Pa.

LACOCK—Died at Rush Hospital, West Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 8, 1928, Emma J. Lacock, daughter of Chief Machinist George C. Lacock, U. S. N., and Mrs. Lacock.

MANSFIELD—Died at Pasadena, Calif., Nov. 23, 1928, Col. Francis Worthington Mansfield, U. S. A., ret.

MCCLELLAN—Died at his home in San Diego, Calif., as the result of pneumonia, Brig. Gen. John McClellan, U. S. A., ret. Interment in Arlington National Cemetery, Va.

NOYES—Died at Washington, D. C., Nov. 16, 1928, Mrs. Theodore W. Noyes, mother of Mrs. McDowell, wife of Comdr. Ralph W. McDowell, M. C., U. S. N., and Mrs. Hempstone, wife of Comdr. Smith Hempstone, S. C., U. S. N.

PLATT—Died at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., Nov. 25, 1928, Capt. Allen H. Platt, U. S. A., ret.

POPHAM—Died at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., Nov. 13, 1928, Rosina Newport Popham, infant daughter of Lt. Comdr. W. S. Popham, jr., U. S. N., and Mrs. Popham.

SMITH—Instantly killed by electrocution at the Chollas Heights naval radio station, near San Diego, Calif., Nov. 20, 1928, Chf. Radioman Joseph Newton Smith, jr., U. S. N., aged 28 years. He is survived by his widow.

STEVENSON—Died at Sheridan, Wyo., Nov. 16, 1928, Mrs. Charles E. Stevenson, mother of the wife of Maj. Walter R. Wheeler, U. S. Infantry.

WHITE—Died in La Canada, Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 21, 1928, Capt. A. Henry White, U. S. V., who during the Civil War was an officer of 27th Pa. Inf. He was captured by the Confederates at the battle of Gettysburg and spent a year in Libby Prison.

WILLIAMS—Died as the result of an airplane accident near Spokane, Wash., Nov. 23, 1928, Lt. William R. Williams, Wash., N. G.

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Personals

THE second of the series of Navy and Marine Corps dances will be held at the Willard, Washington, D. C., on Dec. 4, 1928.

The next monthly luncheon of the Quartermaster Corps officers of the Regular Army, National Guard, and Organized Reserves stationed in or around Washington, D. C., will be held at the Carlton Hotel, 16th and K Sts. N. W., Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1928, at 12:30 p. m. The guest and speaker on that occasion will be Hon. W. M. Jardine, Secretary of Agriculture.

Rear Adm. Thomas T. Craven, U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Craven, were the guests of Capt. Charles P. Kindelberger, Medical Corps, U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Kindelberger, at dinner on Friday evening, Nov. 23, at their quarters at the U. S. Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill. The party afterward attended the opening ball at the Knollwood Club, Lake Forest, Ill.

Rear Adm. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N., has consented to be the chairman of the men's floor committee for the Kenmore ball, which is to take place Dec. 3 at the Willard Hotel, under the auspices of the District of Columbia Chapter of the Kenmore Association.

Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. John H. Carson, U. S. N., announce the birth of a son, Ralph Carson, on Nov. 23, 1928, at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Lt. and Mrs. Charles H. Caldwell, Air Corps, U. S. A., of Wright Field, Ohio, announce the birth of a daughter, Jane Oliver, on Nov. 22, 1928, at Dayton, Ohio.

Lt. Endicott Longacre, Inf. Res., of Washington, D. C., spent last week-end at West Point visiting his former class mates of the 1930 class.

The Quartermaster School at Philadelphia staged a dance and reception on Nov. 23 in honor of Major General and Mrs. Charles P. Summerall, C. of S., U. S. A. The affair was held at Clayton Hall, Schuylkill Arsenal. In addition to the officers located in Philadelphia, many Philadelphians prominent in civic and social life were present. There were present from Washington, besides the guest of honor, the Quartermaster General and Mrs. R. F. Chenham and Brig. Gen. and Mrs. H. F. Rethers, U. S. A.

Col. Charles W. Taylor, U. S. A., ret., of Washington, D. C., has visited his daughter, Mrs. W. M. Modisette, wife of Major Modisette, U. S. A., at Marfa, Tex., and has also been a guest of Major and Mrs. Charles E. MacDonald, Medical Corps, U. S. A., at Fort Bliss, Tex. Several social events were given in his honor while in El Paso.

Lt. Paschal Neilson Strong, r. Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., and Mrs. Strong announce the birth of a son on Nov. 17, 1928. (Continued from Page 278)

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Interesting Service Women

Mrs. Marlin Prather

By OLIVIA MORELAND LLOYD.

AN interview is most successful when a tete-a-tete affair and that is exactly what mine was with Mrs. Marlin Prather, wife of Colonel Prather, as we sipped tea in her attractive and inviting apartment at St. Paul Court, Baltimore, Md.

One has such a fine opportunity to "snuck" up behind as it were and entice them without their even knowing it, and thereby overcoming that reluctance of telling about themselves, of their varied and oftentimes, unusual experiences down the pathway of this beautiful old world we inhabit. However, Mrs. Prather has written to some extent herself, and was fully cognizant of what it was all about; she has been in the public eye since a very young woman for she was born in the executive mansion of Georgia in 1896 while her first and most intimate friend of the male species, W. Y. Atkinson, was Governor and, obviously, her father. He held that position for four years and assumed the arduous task as ruler when but forty years of age. There she was christened Miriam Milton.

Her mother is a recognized writer throughout the South and it was through her untiring and repeated efforts that a bill was passed by the Georgia legislature whereby the largest girls' school south of the Mason Dixon line was established and maintained at so low a tuition that hundreds with limited means might attend and yet feel to some extent, a happy independence for slight remuneration.

A life sized portrait of Mrs. Atkinson graces (for she, too, is beautiful) a prominent place in that institution in Milledgeville, Ga.

Mrs. Prather's first marriage was to Col. Americus Mitchell. They have one son, Americus Mitchell, jr. Among her many relatives connected with the Service are Col. and Mrs. G. F. Baltzell, U. S. A., until recently in command of Ft. McPherson, Ga.; a brother, Major B. M. Atkinson, who is the assistant adjutant of Florida; he was a flyer during the war; among his five decorations is one from the Belgium Government; Major and Mrs. Claude Evans, U. S. A., and Captain and Mrs. Homer Virgil Milton, U. S. N.

She is a graduate in welfare work, has studied short story, and among her contributions may be found "The Swamp Lily" and the "Dictator." She is eligible, therefore, for membership in the League of American Pen Women, and that is far from all of Mrs. Prather's activities.

After the cruel war when most women simply ached in body and soul from loss and inactivity and but a dormant spirit remained, then came to her as to many others, that terrific and spasmodic reaction and it was then she with Colonel Prather, after he had bade farewell to his beloved Rainbow Division, gathered up the remaining scattered threads of a flourishing business in Florida, all of which he willingly left behind at the first bugle call from his country, and listen, my friends, they not only gathered up the remaining scattered threads but successfully wove them together again and Mrs. Prather did her bit in the weaving, so much so we might assume with the idea of abundance.

She is tall, slender, and endowed with loveliness, she is a brunette, but decidedly "preferred" by gentlemen, just a minute, * * * she is equally as much so by women, and the two do not always go together you are forced to confess. Her eyes are unusually large, soft and blue, she has a wealth of dark brown hair and—hear ye—it's long and those luxurious coils seem to have a wonderful way of always staying "put." She would impress you as being not only an incentive, but an inspiration to a husband—and right here I take issue with Lady Hammond Hay when she emphatically states, that our American wives are not as feminine and subtle as our European sisters. I have just looked up that word "subtle," and, after all, who wants us to be "sly in design"? Certainly not our husbands. The feminine side we can take care of. Might we venture to propose, or offer persuasive admonition to the extent, that Lady Hay should really avail herself the opportunity of meeting Mrs. Prather, or many others of our American wives.

Mrs. Prather is an expert horseback rider and completed the course in Cavalry equitation under Colonel Ben Lear. While stationed in Spokane, Wash., she was accorded the unusual distinction of being elected honorary President of the Spokane Riding Club. When in Honolulu, all in the golden days before the war, she with Mrs. L. W. B. Kennon, widow of the late General Kennon, was received by the deposed Queen Liliuokalani. That was a rare exception to the rule, as the Queen's age and position excluded most people from visiting her small paradise of fresh green and sweet scented plants which grow in profusion and variety, that paradise so jealousy guarded and capriciously tucked away in shady retirement. Governor Pinkham, of Hawaii, with his official hostess and cousin, Mrs. Cooper, frequently included Mrs. Prather when entertaining foreign representatives, and a similar honor fell to her lot while in Washington during the Harding Administration, for she was often seen at the diplomatic functions.

In Baltimore where she and Colonel Prather now reside, an enviable social position is hers, won through her own merit and charm.

Engagements

COL. AND MRS. RALPH E. INGRAM, U. S. A., of Skaneateles, New York, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Anne, to John Mowat Bright, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bright, of Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Dorsey, of Baltimore, Md., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Stockton Dorsey, to Major Newton N. Polk, Field Artillery, U. S. A. Major Polk is from Nashville, Tenn., and is now attending the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kans. The wedding will take place Dec. 27, at St. David's Church, Roland Park, Baltimore.

Major and Mrs. Pierre V. Kleffer, U. S. A., of Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dixie, to Lt. Francis Secon Gardner, 3rd Cav., U. S. A. The wedding will take place in the early spring.

Mrs. Marie Bonzano Harris announces the engagement of her daughter, Margarita Bonzano Harris, to Ens. S. David Willingham, U. S. N., son of Mr. and Mrs. William Mack Willingham, of Birmingham, Ala. Miss Harris is the daughter of Col. Frank E. Harris, U. S. A., now stationed at Boston, and she is a graduate of Georgetown Visitation Convent, Washington, D. C. On her mother's side Miss Harris is related to the late Cardinal Giovanni Bonzano, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, and Papal Legate to the Eucharistic Congress

in Chicago; also to Gov. Geary and Gov. Bigler of Pennsylvania; Adm. Sir Francis Peary of the British Navy was an ancestor. Princess Constantine Tomanoff of Paris is a great-aunt. Five of her near relatives graduated at West Point.

Ens. Willingham was graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, in the Class of 1926, and has been stationed on the U. S. S. Tulsa, of the Special Service Squadron.

The marriage will take place on Dec. 27, and will be followed by a reception at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Maximilian F. Bonzano, at Guilford, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. Asher J. Hudson, of Norfolk, Va., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Dorothy Mattie Hudson, to Ens. Roland Wendell Rickerts, United States Navy, son of Lieutenant and Mrs. J. C. Rickerts, formerly of Norfolk, now of Philadelphia. The wedding will take place this month. Miss Hudson is a teacher in the Norfolk schools. Ensign Rickerts is a graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy in the class of 1927 and is now stationed at Charleston, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Webster Brown of Winchester, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter Elizabeth to Ens. Charles Crosby Pyne, U. S. N., son of Capt. and Mrs. Frederick Glover Pyne, U. S. N., of Washington.

Miss Brown is a graduate of Wellesley College, in class of 1928, where she was a member of the Shakespeare Society. Ens. Pyne graduated from the United States Naval Academy with the class of 1927.

Posts and Stations
FORT SNELLING, MINN.

Nov. 28, 1928.

COL. WALTER C. SWEENEY was honored at a dinner on Monday, Nov. 12, given by Company F of the Third Infantry Capt. W. W. Millard commanding. Members of Colonel Sweeney's staff were also guests. The dinner table had places for the colonel, the battalion commander, Maj. D. B. Crofton, and members of the staff and soldiers of Company F.

A dinner party on Nov. 7 with Maj. and Mrs. Raymond W. Whittier as hosts had covers placed for eight guests. The table was covered with lace and centered with a silver candelabra holding yellow candles.

Capt. and Mrs. S. F. Howard arranged an informal chow mein supper for Sunday evening, Nov. 18. Mrs. J. B. Moore, of Washington, N. C., was a special guest. Mrs. Moore is the house guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Capt. and Mrs. D. G. Fowle.

Pink shaggy chrysanthemums in a low silver bowl with ivory tapers on each side in silver holders made attractive the large dining table at the Evans' quarters, Nov. 14, when Mrs. Herbert L. Evans and Mrs. Edwin B. Maynard were joint hostesses at a luncheon and bridge. Seven ladies, including Mrs. Walter C. Sweeney, were seated at the large round table. Six small tables adorned with sprays of the pink chrysanthemums in tall silver bud vases had covers for 19 guests.

Each Thursday evening Col. and Mrs. Walter C. Sweeney have a party of several guests in their box at the Symphony Orchestra concert at St. Paul Auditorium.

Mrs. Walter C. Sweeney was the honoree at a luncheon and theater party given by Mrs. T. A. Pearce, wife of Col. Pearce, on duty in Minneapolis. The Atkinson tea rooms in Minneapolis were the scene of the luncheon.

NORFOLK, VA.

Nov. 30, 1928.

AN interesting event of this week was the ball given in Building 16 in the Navy Yard, Tuesday night, Nov. 27, when the Commandant and officers of the Yard, and the commanding officer and officers of the Naval Hospital were hosts. The ballroom was decorated with autumn leaves, flowers and flags, and music for dancing was played by the Navy Yard Band. Mrs. W. T. Lineberry was hostess for the evening, and those dancing numbered 150. Several dinners preceded the dance. Comdr. and Mrs. P. H. Hammond entertained at a dinner of 11, Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. T. D. Warner entertained at a dinner of 20; Lt. and Mrs. Lineberry entertained at a dinner of 26; Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. M. W. Porter entertained at a dinner of 10; Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. E. F. Lowery entertained at a dinner of 25, and another dinner included a number of lieutenants and their wives.

Rear Adm. and Mrs. Guy H. Burrage entertained Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 27, at their home in the Naval Operating Base at a children's party in honor of their granddaughter, Meeta Graham Burrage Myers, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barton Myers, Jr. The guests included 70 little folks between the ages of two and six years.

PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

Nov. 28, 1928.

MONDAY, Nov. 26, was the day set by the California Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, to mark the original boundaries of the Presidio of San Francisco. The program of events with Mrs. John A. Keating, regent of the chapter, presiding, took place on the South end of Pershing Square. The history of the old Spanish occupation is very interesting. Under the rule of Spain the administration of California was purely military. The territory was divided into four districts, each under the protection of a military post known as a "presidio." The Presidios in California were located at San Diego, Monterey, Santa Barbara, and San Francisco. A military reservation of a fort or presidio, as laid down by Spanish law, was equal to a square of 3,000 varas, or 1,564

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acres. The word "presidio" comes from the Roman "praesidium," meaning a garrison or fortified camp. A presidio was a walled camp about 600 feet square, whose walls of adobe were 14 feet high and 5 feet thick, with small bastions flanking the angles. The walls had but one gate and were surrounded by a ditch 12 feet wide and 6 feet deep. The armament was generally eight bronze cannons—8, 12, and 16 pounders. Not far from the presidio was the fort or battery called the "Castillo." Within the inclosure of the presidio were the church, officers' quarters, soldiers' quarters, houses of colonists, storerooms, workshops, wells, stables and cisterns. The marking of the original boundaries of the Presidio of San Francisco by the ladies of the Daughters of the American Revolution was consequently the marking of the boundaries of the old Spanish "Walled Camp," which now largely comprises the 30th Infantry Parade. Thirtieth Infantry officers took an active part in the program. Capt. McMurray, Regimental Chaplain, made the invocation; Col. Fred R. Brown, Commanding Officer of the 30th Infantry and Post of Presidio, the address of acceptance, and Capt. Warren J. Clear gave a short address on the original boundaries as outlined by the markers. The program was completed by a battalion parade of 30th Infantry troops.

FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH.

Nov. 21, 1928.

COL. E. P. O'HEARN, Ninth Corps Area Ordnance Officer, was in Fort Douglas Wednesday on an inspection tour. The two following days were spent inspecting the ordnance in Salt Lake City and Ogden.

Lt. E. J. Sneed, Infantry, O. R. C., arrived from Boise, Idaho, on Monday for two weeks' training with the 38th Infantry.

In keeping with a fine old custom prevailing at this post for many years, every officer on the post, with his family, has been invited to have Thanksgiving Day dinner with some one of the organizations. This splendid custom goes far toward welding all the members of this command into one large family.

The extensive building and alteration program begun in the late summer is about completed. The "old general's house" has been converted into four attractive apartments, and will be ready for occupancy in a few days. The eight sets of servants' quarters on the Circle are fast nearing completion. Extensive alterations on the post chapel were begun last Monday. When completed we shall have an enlarged, attractive chapel, with up-to-date furnishings, and a playhouse combined.

Last Saturday old man Winter stole down from the mountains and spread his white mantle, rich and deep, over all. Late arrivals from Porto Rico and the Islands of the Pacific are heard to lament their departure from the various "Lands of Enchantment." What tropic land, no matter how beautiful, can offer a prospect half so noble as the glorious panorama spread all around us—the Wasatch and the Oquirrh ranges buried in snow. Truly, a view worthy of the Gods.

Maj. Gen. B. F. Cheatham, the Quartermaster General, was one of the recent distinguished visitors of the Post. Gen. Cheatham arrived Nov. 2 for the purpose of inspecting the new reservoir and other construction projects. Col. and Mrs. H. C. Price were hosts at a luncheon for Gen. Cheatham.

FORT SCREVEN, GA.

Nov. 28, 1928.

MANY parties are being given in honor of Capt. and Mrs. Stephen H. Ackerman, who are leaving Fort Screven in the near future. All the officers and their wives regret the loss of Capt. and Mrs. Ackerman from the Post.

On Nov. 14, Mrs. H. Colmore Bradford entertained at a bridge luncheon in honor of Mrs. Ackerman. The quarters were decorated with white and pink chrysanthemums and pink roses. The high score prize, a piece of imported brass, was won by Mrs. B. A. Daughtry. The second prize, a novelty reel, was won by Mrs. Marion Williams. The guest's prize, a combination perfume set, went to Miss Rhoda Worth. Mrs. Ackerman was presented with silk hose. Those invited were: Mmes. Arthur C. Evans, John W. Rodman, Robert L. Wright, Edwin T. Bowden, Letcher O. Grice, Kenneth S. Whittemore, Jodie G. Stewart, Harry E. McKinney, Walter S. Winn, Daniel B. Knight, Barney A. Daughtry, Stephen S. Hamilton, Kilbourne Johnston, Luther D. Wallace, Robert W. Horton, Walter A. Norton, Marion Williams, and Miss Rhoda Worth.

On Nov. 20, Mrs. Arthur C. Evans entertained with a charming bridge party in

honor of Mrs. Ackerman. The prizes for the top score and second high score, which were pretty lace tray covers, were won by Mrs. Walter S. Winn and Mrs. L. D. Wallis, and the guest of honor was presented with silk hose. Those invited were: Mmes. H. Colmore Bradford, R. W. Horton, R. L. Wright, Kenneth S. Whittemore, John Rodman, L. O. Grice, Edwin Bowden, J. G. Stewart, L. D. Wallis, Walter Winn, H. E. McKinney, S. S. Hamilton, B. A. Daughtry, D. Knight and K. Johnston.

On the evening of Nov. 19, Lt. and Mrs. Walter S. Winn entertained at a buffet supper in honor of Capt. and Mrs. Stephen H. Ackerman. Lt. and Mrs. Winn's guests included: Maj. and Mrs. H. Colmore Bradford, Maj. and Mrs. Arthur C. Evans, Capt. and Mrs. Bowden, Capt. and Mrs. Grice, Capt. and Mrs. Whittemore, Lt. and Mrs. McKinney, Lt. and Mrs. Daughtry, Lt. and Mrs. Johnston, Lt. and Mrs. Hamilton, Lt. and Mrs. Wallis.

FORT RUSSELL, WYO.

Nov. 25, 1928.

BRIG. GEN. A. J. BOWLEY, 8th Corps Area Commander, arrived at Fort D. A. Russell on Nov. 16, and was the guest of Gen. and Mrs. F. C. Bolles. Gen. Bowley made a brief inspection of the Fort, and stated that he was very favorably impressed with the activity manifest at Fort Russell during the past summer. From Fort Russell Gen. Bowley continued his inspection trip of R. O. T. C. units in Colorado and Arizona.

A farewell dinner and dance was given by the officers and ladies of the First Infantry at the First Infantry Officers' Club to Col. and Mrs. John Preston on Nov. 20. Col. Preston has been transferred to duty in Washington, after having been in command of the First Infantry for two years. The officers and ladies of the regiment presented Col. and Mrs. Preston with a silver pitcher, Col. Nichols presenting the token in behalf of the regiment. Seventy-eight members of the garrison were present at dinner.

Mrs. W. K. Liebel, wife of Lt. Liebel, entertained Thursday afternoon, Nov. 15, at quarters, Infantry Circle, with a bridge in compliment to Mrs. Olive Kelley, of Hollywood. Tea at 5 o'clock was the climax of the affair. Mrs. Frank C. Emerson, wife of Gov. Emerson, and Mrs. Ode C. Nichols, wife of Col. Nichols, First Infantry, presided over the tea table, which was set in lace, and adorned with a basket of chrysanthemums, wine and yellow in color. The tally showed that the prize winners in bridge were Mrs. Roland Wilkins, Mrs. Harold Gilbert and Mrs. Emmett J. Bean, of the garrison. Sharing Mrs. Liebel's hospitality were Mmes. O. C. Nichols, G. B. Pritchard, J. P. Bubb, J. D. Chambliss, V. L. James, Harold Gilbert, Roland Wilkins, Aubrey Bassett, A. G. Bassett, Sr., A. J. Monger, E. J. Bean, R. W. Burke, G. W. Brower and Miss Sue Nichols, of the Post; Mrs. F. C. Emerson and Mrs. W. O. Wilson, of town, and Mrs. Kelley, of Hollywood.

AIR CORPS TRAINING CENTER.

Nov. 27, 1928.

CAPT. AND MRS. S. E. BROWN, of Kelly Field, were hosts at a beautifully appointed dinner at the San Antonio Country Club. Bowls of pink roses and queen's crown adorned the table at which covers were laid for twenty-seven.

Mrs. Kernan, wife of Capt. Harold Kernan, of Enid, Okla., is the guest of Capt. and Mrs. Reginald Ducat.

Pupils of Mrs. Bernice Eatorio dancing school entertained with a Halloween program at the Officers' Club.

Mrs. A. B. Ballard, who has been summing in California, has returned to Kelly Field.

Mrs. C. H. Williams, of Sedalia, Mo., is the guest of her niece and nephew, Lt. and Mrs. Graham St. John.

Lt. and Mrs. E. F. Booth have as their guest Miss Marion Armand, of Greensburg, Pa.

Lt. and Mrs. Glen Salisbury entertained informally last Monday evening honoring Mr. and Mrs. Lee Beckman, of Tampico, Mexico.

Gen. and Mrs. F. P. Lahm entertained twenty-two at bridge and dinner on Nov. 14. Prizes were won by Mrs. Vanaman and Capt. Easterbrook.

Mrs. Sprague entertained at luncheon at the Menger Hotel for Miss Rogers, Oct. 31.

Mrs. Waller entertained with bridge and luncheon at her home Nov. 7.

Maj. and Mrs. S. W. Fitzgerald were "at

POSTS and STATIONS

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, T. H.

Nov. 12, 1928.

THE month of October was a big and busy month. Of the arrivals to the 27th Infantry were: A new commanding officer in the person of Col. William E. Hunt, also Mrs. Hunt, and their younger son. Arriving during the period were also Capt. and Mmes. Walter F. Mullins, Norris A. Wimberley, Robert B. Ennis, William B. Lowery, Lt. and Mmes. Preston B. Waterbury, David M. Fowler, James R. Anderson, Robert S. Nourse, Newell E. Watts, Lt. Paul C. Hutton, Jr., and sister, and Lt. Joseph B. Daugherty. Frank A. Deroine was lost to us as a lieutenant, having been promoted to captain. Actual losses were Lt. Col. James E. McDonald, who has left the regiment to await retirement; Capt. and Mrs. Chauncey M. Lyons, Lis. and Mmes. Frank H. Strickland and Donald T. Beeler.

Col. and Mrs. Hunt were at home almost immediately in the new quarters prepared for them; following this was the regimental "Aloha" reception and dance at the Infantry Club. They were guests of Capt. and Mrs. Edward N. Fay at dinner preceding the weekly hop on Oct. 19. On the 23rd the regiment was represented at a reception given by the new Japanese Consul in Honolulu by Col. and Mrs. Hunt and Capt. and Mrs. Ackerson. On the 30th a Halloween dinner dance was given in honor of the commanding officer and first lady by Capt. and Mrs. Ackerson and Chaplain and Mrs. Burling; the guest list of 75 included the division and post commander, Maj. Gen. Edwin B. Winans, and Brig. Gen. and Mrs. George C. Barnhardt.

FORT MCKINLEY, P. I.

October 22, 1928.

COL. AND MRS. J. B. KEMPER entertained a large group of friends at a hop supper on Oct. 12 in honor of Capt. and Mrs. Sydney Connor, who are leaving on the next transport, later taking their guests to Officers' Club hop.

Lt. and Mrs. C. F. Colson entertained at dinner on Oct. 19 in honor of Capt. and Mrs. Donald Butten, of Corregidor.

Mrs. Lee D. Hooper entertained at a bridge supper on Oct. 16 for a group of ladies whose husbands were attending the Sojourners dinner at the Officers' Club. Those enjoying Mrs. Hooper's hospitality were Mmes. C. A. Clark, A. Garfinkel, S. A. Moulton, J. R. Lippincott, J. D. Carter, Nels Soderholm, B. H. Chastine, G. F. Macdonald, D. M. Ellis, Owen Summers, R. G. Howie, J. C. Wade, Oswald de la Rosa and Donald Hill.

Capt. and Mrs. Charles Karlstad were hosts at a bridge dinner at their quarters on Oct. 17, when their guests were Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Henry Larnard, Capt. and Mrs. R. M. Sandusky, Capt. and Mrs. Richard Arnest, Lt. and Mrs. John Gahan, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wolff, Mrs. Lucy Ord and Mrs. C. B. Lenow.

FORT SILL, OKLA.

Nov. 26, 1928.

GEN. AND MRS. AULTMAN spent Nov. 11 at Anadarko, where the General gave an Armistice Day talk for the Kiowa Indians.

Miss Anita Aultman has enrolled at the University of Oklahoma and spends the week-ends with her parents on the Post.

Miss Betty Hendy, of Buffalo, N. Y., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Pierson, for the winter. Mrs. Pierson recently entertained a number of the young people of the Post in compliment to her guest.

On Friday, Nov. 16, Col. and Mrs. G. P. Tyner entertained the following guests at dinner: Col. and Mrs. Pierson, Maj. and Mrs. Helmick, Maj. and Mrs. Peyton, Maj. and Mrs. Spalding and Mrs. Quickrel.

The members of the Artillery Hunt Club turned out for the first hunt of the season on Nov. 11.

A Community Shop has been opened at the Officers' Club by Mrs. Leonard Kitts and Mrs. L. V. Harris. A big general tea was held at the club on Monday, the 12th, and several thousand dollars worth of goods were on display. Many of the ladies of the garrison are instrumental in making the Community Shop a success by their varied contributions to it.

The Dramatic Club has elected officers for the present year as follows: Capt. R. T. Adams, president; Maj. I. Spalding, vice president; Mrs. Sather, secretary; Mrs. Harris, librarian, and Mrs. W. D. White, technical director. The first production will be given in December. Plans are being made for the regular New Year's Eve cabaret under the direction of Lt. and Mrs. Warren Hayford, 3rd.

The Post School opened as usual in September and this year is under the regular Lawton system. Mrs. M. C. Wilson is principal; Mrs. Blakely teaches French games and songs; Mrs. Partlow teaches piano; Mrs. Paschall is teaching dancing to the little tots, and esthetic dancing to the older ones, and Mrs. Hickey is in charge of the kindergarten.

Maj. and Mrs. W. D. White and Capt. and Mrs. Jerry Watters entertained about 70 guests at dinner at the quarters of Maj. and Mrs. White on Saturday evening, Nov. 17.

The Sunday Supper Club of the 1st Battalion of the 1st F. A. started its regular bi-monthly meetings on Saturday, Nov. 11, with Lt. and Mrs. Anderson, Maj. and Mrs. Winslow were hosts at the next meeting.

FORT DES MOINES, IOWA.

Nov. 28, 1928.

THE second of a series of officer's stag parties was held at the Officers' Club on Monday, Nov. 19. Practically all the officers of the garrison were in attendance in addition to the officers of the D. O. L. in the city. The evening was spent informally at cards and pool.

Maj. and Mrs. Harry Keeley, 17th Inf., entertained at a dinner bridge in honor of Capt. J. H. Cochran and Lt. H. W. Johnson, who have received orders transferring them from the post. Capt. Cochran goes on D. O. L. to Charleston, W. Va., and Lt. Johnson to Panama.

Lt. Col. Fielding H. Garrison, M. C., addressed the Des Moines Academy of Medicine at the Hotel Fort Des Moines on Nov. 20. He spoke on "Medicine in the West."

The Band of the 14th Cavalry played a concert at the Service Club Wednesday evening, Nov. 21. A trumpet solo by Manuel Aguilar, beautifully and expertly rendered, was the feature of the program.

The ladies' riding classes got under way Nov. 21. The classes are two in number, one for basic or beginners and the other for advanced students. Both classes are composed of ladies of the post and their friends in the city of Des Moines. The classes are under the supervision of 1st Lt. J. B. Patterson.

Lt. and Mrs. Fred Thomas, 14th Cav., entertained at a dinner and bridge on Nov. 21, the guests being Col. and Mrs. Strymer, Maj. and Mrs. John Kelly, Maj. and Mrs. T. L. Ferrenbaugh, Capt. Wieck, Capt. and Mrs. S. C. Speece, Capt. and Mrs. P. L. Singer, Capt. and Mrs. S. C. Dildine, Capt. and Mrs. N. L. Simmonds, Capt. and Mrs. Leo Conner.

Mrs. John H. Maher entertained at a bridge luncheon on Nov. 20. Included in the courtesy were Mmes. M. S. Williamson, T. J. McDonald, J. D. Kelly, W. Garrison, E. A. Strymer, N. L. Simmons, S. W. Myers, D. W. Casto, L. B. Conner, Harry Keeley, W. D. Webb, L. M. Hanna and C. H. Martin.

Maj. and Mrs. Kelly, 14th Cav., have as their house guest Mrs. W. Garrison of Washington, D. C.

Word was received at the post recently that Lt. and Mrs. Richard Bridgman, of the 4th Cavalry, at Fort Meade, S. D., are the parents of an 8½-pound baby boy, born Nov. 21. Mrs. Bridgman was, before her marriage, Miss Jeanette McGrath, the daughter of Capt. and Mrs. T. J. McGrath, Q. M. C. this station.

The Officers' Club gave a dinner dance at the Service Club Saturday night, Nov. 24. Those in charge of the affair were Mrs. T. L. Ferrenbaugh, Mrs. N. L. Simmonds, Mrs. B. M. Creel and P. L. Singer.

Organized Reserve

SPECIALIST RESERVES TO MEET.

The first of a series of monthly meetings of the specialist officers of the Army Reserves of Washington, D. C., will be held Dec. 21, at the Reserve Headquarters.

Upon the requests of several of the specialists, Col. M. Jarvis, U. S. A., Senior Instructor, assigned Maj. A. S. Tucker, U. S. A., to meet with the reservists and assist them in formulating their program. Maj. D. Armstrong, U. S. A., will also assist. The specialists are represented by a Special Conference Committee consisting of Col. G. T. Weitzel, Lt. Col. E. G. Bliss, Maj. C. A. Aspinwall, Capt. J. W. Brennan, and 1st Lt. S. F. Tillman.

The membership of the local group includes: Col. D. F. Davis, Secretary of War; H. H. Armistead, H. C. Krammer, G. T. Weitzel, and J. C. O'Laughlin; Lt. Col. E. G. Bliss, son of Maj. Gen. T. H. Bliss, ret.; R. Fulkerson, A. I. Klein, E. C. Lowry, J. M. Magee, C. H. Marvin, H. Miller, H. H. Sheets.

Majs. C. A. Aspinwall, E. G. Boerner, J. I. Butler, C. N. Claudy, E. P. Doyle, F. H. Estes, I. W. Furniss, L. E. Hays, F. W. Keough, J. T. Morris, J. B. O'Brien, A. H. Oxholm, J. Peyser, E. T. Pickward, B. C. Reece, H. F. Sedwick, T. R. Taylor, R. O. Welmarth, and L. G. Wilson.

Capt. A. H. Barnes, N. W. Baxter, I. W. Brennan, W. A. Duvall, C. H. Franklin, A. H. Gillette, J. P. Green, R. T. Higgins, I. E. Mangum, I. J. Marrinan, I. K. Montgomery, J. O'Hara, R. A. O'Neill, J. C. F. Palmer, F. E. Penn, L. C. Stone, 1st Lt. E. T. Bailey, L. H. Blood, F. I. Burnow, M. H. Goldman, K. C. Miller, D. I. Ryan, T. N. Tappy, S. F. Tillman, R. P. West, E. C. Wood, and S. R. Young.

OHIO RESERVE.

Cincinnati (Special).—Cincinnati Chapter, R. O. A., held a luncheon at the Cincinnati Club recently in honor of the senior class of the R. O. T. C. at the University of Cincinnati.

As guests of honor were Col. J. T. Geary, C. A. C., U. S. A.; Maj. C. R. Jones, C. A. C.; H. L. Campbell, O. D., 1st Lt. H. S. Miller, C. E., U. S. A., and 27 members of the R. O. T. C. Maj. T. B. Morris, 38th Engineers, presided, and introduced all the guests. Present as a special guest was Capt. S. C. Loomis, U. S. Navy, stationed in Chicago, who was in Cincinnati inspecting the local recruiting station. He was accompanied by Lt. T. H. Williamson, U. S. N. The speaker of the occasion was Capt. W. M. Coffin, 329th Inf.

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Personals

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at Morgantown, West Virginia. He will be called Paschal Neilson Strong, 3rd.

Miss Helen Nelson, daughter of Col. and Mrs. C. J. Nelson, Texas A. & M. College, was selected to be Duchess of A. & M. College at the coronation of the Queen at the Cotton Palace, Waco, Texas, Nov. 13, 1928. Miss Nelson had as her personal escort Mr. W. R. Patton, Cadet Col. of the Corps of Cadets of Texas A. & M., and in addition selected eight of the cadet officers of the senior class in the college to form her military escort.

Col. George F. Baltzell, Infantry, U. S. A., detailed as instructor-inspector for the Reserve in the State of Florida was the guest of the Army & Navy Club of Tampa, Fla., at a dinner served in the Club Rooms, at the Tampa Terrace Hotel, Thursday, Nov. 22. After dinner, Col. Baltzell addressed a special meeting of the Tampa Chapter Reserve Officers' Association. Before the dinner a reception was held in the Club Library.



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LATE WAR DEPARTMENT ORDERS.

The following War Department orders were received too late for classification:
S. O. W. D. 280, NOV. 28, 1928.

Quartermaster Corps.

Capt. C. Stalsburg, now sick in Walter Reed Hosp., from duty with Sch. for Bakers & Cooks, Fort Leonard Wood, Md., and on return to that station to duty as asst. to q. m.

Medical Corps.

Lt. Col. A. S. Pendleton is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto.

Medical Administrative Corps.

Capt. J. D. Foley to sail from New York for Hawaii Jan. 15 instead of Dec. 28 as previously ordered.

Corps of Engineers.

Capt. M. G. Martling, now on duty in Cincinnati, Ohio, detailed for addl. duty with O. R., 5th C. A., 10th Engrs. Combat Regt.

Chemical Warfare Service.

Maj. W. N. Porter, now on duty in office of C. of C. W. S., Washington, D. C., detailed for addl. duty with O. R., 3d C. A., 409th Serv. Bn.

Cavalry.

Lt. Col. G. Kent detailed in the I. G. D., Jan. 15, from 6th Cav., Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., to Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for duty at hdqrs. 8th C. A.

Capt. E. A. Franklin, 12th Cav., from Fort Brown, Tex., to 2nd Cav., Fort Riley, Kans.

2nd Lt. W. H. Nutter, 7th Cav., from Fort Bliss, Tex., to 13th Cav., Fort Riley, Kans.

Field Artillery.

Col. E. D. Scott to sail from San Francisco for Hawaii Feb. 7 instead of Jan. 19, as previously ordered.

1st Lt. A. P. Moore, 1st F. A., from Fort Sill, Okla., detailed instr. F. A., N. J. N. G., station at East Orange, N. J.

Infantry.

Col. H. A. Hanigan, from detail in O. R., 9th C. A., Los Angeles, Calif., assigned to 1st Inf., Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., for duty.

Lt. Col. J. A. Marmon, from 2nd Div., Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., on expiration of leave, and detailed division instr., 38th Div., Indianapolis, Ind., after 7 days instructions at hdqrs., 5th C. A., Fort Hayes, Ohio.

Lt. Col. D. P. Wood, from detail with O. R., 8th C. A., 103rd Div., Santa Fe, N. Mex., assigned to 6th Inf., Jefferson Bks., Mo., for duty.

Capt. J. L. Pierce, detailed in Q. M. C., Dec. 15, from 1st Inf., Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., to duty as asst. to q. m., that post. Following to sail from San Francisco for China Mar. 9 instead of Feb. 6, as previously ordered: 1st Lt. G. Honnen and 2nd Lt. H. P. Ford.

Leaves.

Two days to Brig. Gen. F. Parker, Asst. C. of S., Nov. 30. Three months to Capt. R. M. Sandusky, Inf., Apr. 24, with permission to return to U. S. via Suez. Three months, 1 day, to Maj. S. O. Elting, C. A. C. One day to Maj. R. E. de R. Hoyle, G. S. C., Dec. 1. Leave granted 1st Lt. T. N. Stark, Inf., extended 10 days.

To Sail Mar. 9 for P. I.

Following to sail from San Francisco for Philippines Mar. 9 instead of Feb. 6, as previously ordered: 2nd Lts. H. J. Hoeffer, C. A. C., H. F. Townsend, C. A. C.; Capt. C. L. Marsh, Inf., R. Slate, Inf.; 2nd Lt. O. O. Wilson, Inf.; 1st Lts. T. W. Blackburn, A. C., H. R. Leighton, V. C.; Maj. R. W. Bliss, M. C.; Col. A. N. McClure, Q. M. C.; Capt. R. I. Stack, Inf., L. de L. Hutson, Inf.; 2nd Lt. R. B. McCleave, Inf.; 1st Lts. J. M. McDonnell, A. C., W. E. Whitson, A. C.; Maj. F. M. Holmes, F. D.; 1st Lt. C. A. Gray, M. C.; Maj. H. R. McKellar, M. C., and Capt. A. F. Englehart, C. A. C.

Warrant Officers.

Wmnt. Offr. E. A. Sartin, to duty assigned 2nd Corps Area, Governors Island, N. Y. Wmnt. Offr. L. A. Samples, to duty assigned at 2nd Corps Area, Governors Island, N. Y. Wmnt. Offr. S. Grant, to duty assigned at 2nd Corps Area, Governors Island, N. Y. Wmnt. Offr. F. Needham, to duty as asst. property auditor, 2nd Corps Area, Governors Island, N. Y. Wmnt. Offr. T. R. Humphreys, from Fort McPherson, Ga., to duty at hdqrs., 3d C. A., Baltimore, Md. Wmnt. Offr. E. E. Ferguson, from duties at hdqrs., 3rd C. A., Baltimore, Md., assigned to duty at hdqrs., 4th C. A., Fort McPherson, Ga.

Retirement of Enlisted Men.

Order of Nov. 26, directing the retirement of Sgt. J. Wilson, 25th Inf., is revoked. Sgt. J. A. Finegan, 1st Inf., at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo. 1st Sgt. A. Pilski, 10th C. A., at Fort Adams, R. I.

Organized Reserves.

Lt. Col. P. D. May, Q. M. Res., to active duty Dec. 3, at Chicago q. m. depot, Ill., for training. 2nd Lt. A. M. Bishop, Jr., Q. M. Res., to active duty Dec. 2 at New Orleans q. m. depot, La., for training.

RESERVIST COMMENDED.

A letter of commendation has been written by Rear Adm. T. T. Craven, U. S. Navy, to C. B. M. Louis A. Kocher, U. S. N. R., for aiding to rescue a drowning person.

Financial Digest

By A MARKET EXPERT.

IN commenting on the effect that the visit of President-elect Hoover to South America has exerted on the stock market, E. A. Pierce and Co., in its latest Fortnightly Review, says:

In a manner, the visit of President-elect Hoover to South America carries with it stock market significance. Four years ago few, if any, foresaw the development of the sustained domestic buying power, the continuance of which has quieted previously expressed uneasiness over our tremendous productive capacity. At the same time, no one can ignore the importance of foreign outlets, nor fail to realize that the maintenance of export contacts will go a long way toward sustaining, and even increasing, our production and distribution totals. It is recognized that industrial recovery in Europe, while it will increase purchasing power there, will at the same time probably intensify the competition to be encountered in markets outside of Europe. During the next few years the question of intensive development of our export market is likely to be more conspicuously discussed than during the past four years, and South America is one of our very best customers.

Merchant Marine Reserve

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parent. Corps area commanders were in-
structed to divide all Reserve pilots into
three classes. *** Considering all the needs
of the War Department, I believe that 22,500
hours is the minimum which we should
have for Reserve flying during the coming
year and I have so recommended. This
pool of 631 class 1 Reserve officers consti-
tutes our only force of pilot reserve. These
631 men, and these alone, could be placed
in Air Corps tactical units on mobilization
day to make up the pilot deficiency in Air
Corps regular tactical units."

CHIEF OF STAFF.

The Mission of the Army

"The mission of the Army is to utilize
speedily and effectively the national re-
sources to the extent authorized by Con-
gress. Our military forces must be pre-
pared to take the initiative for the protection
of our country. This requires the im-
mediate adoption of a strategic and tactical
offensive, and the maintenance of this
offensive until a decision is reached.

Training

"The ultimate purpose of military train-
ing is an effectiveness in war which assures
the best utilization of the military forces
for the security of our people and the
early restoration of peace.

"In any emergency necessitating the use
of the land forces of the Nation, it will be
essential that trained units at effective
strength be immediately available for the
initial operations which seek the security
of our frontiers, the safety of our vital
areas, and the securing of such initial ad-
vantages as may be derived from the time
element. In general, these units must pro-
vide the bulwark of defense during the mo-
bilization of our potentially great military
strength. Troops for this purpose will be
furnished by the Regular Army and the Na-
tional Guard. In other words, these two
elements of the Army of the United States
comprise our first line of land defense. The
success or failure of any operation will be
dependent to a great extent upon the readi-
ness of the units that can be placed in the
field in its earlier stages.

"Readiness for immediate operations
therefore involves two factors: First, the
number of troops of the Regular Army and
National Guard which are so organized as
to be available immediately for field ser-
vice; and second, the state of their training.
That training, to be satisfactory, must
promise success in any probable combat
mission at the outbreak of hostilities.

"The Infantry division constitutes the
basic unit for field operations. Therein are
combined various combat branches, auxil-
iary troops, and supply services essential to
effective combat. High as is our present
standard of individual training in all ele-
ments of the Army of the United States, we
must face the fact that time must elapse
before complete divisions would be in readi-
ness for combat.

"Coast Artillery battle practice was con-
ducted at selected harbor defenses on the
Atlantic and Pacific coasts. In exercises
held on Long Island Sound, a portion of
the Scouting Fleet was made available by
the Navy Department, thus giving the ex-
ercises the character of a minor joint Army
and Navy maneuver.

"In order to afford commanders and staffs
necessary training in handling armies,
corps, and divisions in campaign, and at
the same time to eliminate the costs inci-
dent to the assembling of large bodies of
troops, the War Department has prescribed
that command post exercises be held from
time to time. These exercises differ from
one-sided maneuvers in that only the com-
manders, staffs, and communication and
reconnaissance personnel of units are pres-
ent; troops are imaginary.

"In the World War the average Ameri-
can soldier who participated in a major
engagement received eight months of train-
ing before entering the line in a quiet
sector and remained one month in such a
sector before being sent into major battle.
The period of training of combat divisions
was even greater, averaging 10 to 11
months. The First Division composed of
Regular Army units, entered a quiet sec-
tor three and a half months after its as-
sembly and organization in France. The
Twenty-sixth Division, comprising Na-
tional Guard units, entered a quiet sector
five and a half months after organization
and remained in quiet sectors for five
months. The Seventy-seventh Division,
formed of National Army units, was thrown
into combat at the end of August, 1918,
eleven and a half months after organiza-
tion.

"Conditions in the World War made
necessary the employment of divisions only
at full war strength, so the periods cited
in the foregoing paragraph for Regular
Army and National Guard Divisions were
utilized partially for the training of per-
sonnel which augmented the peace strength
of units. We can not expect that in op-
erations on this continent we will be able
to wait until units have reached full
strength before they are ordered into cam-
paign. Nevertheless, considerable time will
elapse before we can assemble the com-
ponent parts required for satisfactory per-
formance of our divisions.

"I would not have it thought that I dis-
credit the great advantages of the pro-
visions of the National Defense Act of 1920
for peace-time constitution of all the units
which would be required in event of an
emergency. Peace-time plans and the
training of all components of the Army
of the United States, even if only inclusive
of the regiment in each branch of service,
will save confusion and all-important time
in event of necessity for mobilization. How-
ever, we would be neglectful were we to
fail to take cognizance of the fact that our
divisions are incomplete organizations. Our
training always must be directed toward a
further decrease in time required for their
transformation into readiness for cam-
paign.

Schools

"The school system of the Army ranges
from the post schools and troops schools,
which are conducted wholly within units

or posts, on through the special and gen-
eral service schools to the Army War Col-
lege.

"This entire school system has proved
very satisfactory. With a special service
school to prepare instructional doctrine and
material for each branch, standardization of
methods has been obtained throughout all
components of the Army of the United
States.

Field Training

"Tactical training culminates in maneu-
vers conducted under field service condi-
tions.

"The annual tactical inspections have re-
vealed that the progress of the training of
the Army has been eminently satisfactory
within the limitations imposed by the dis-
persion of troops.

"All units of the Regular Army in the
continental United States, Hawaii, and Pan-
ama averaged over two weeks in the field,
in many cases a considerably longer time.

"Mobile troops of the First, Third and
Eighth Corps Areas and of all overseas
departments were concentrated therein for
tactical training in the employment of the
combined arms.

Motorization and Mechanization

"During the year an extensive official
study of the mechanization of battlefield
forces was completed by the War Depart-
ment General Staff. While the study has
not resulted in the adoption of a definite
doctrine, it does portray some basic consid-
erations which will govern further study
and experiment throughout the Service.

"The basic theme of the study is the
question of how mobility with high strik-
ing power can be realized on the battlefield.
Superiority of fire and superiority of move-
ment in campaign are constantly sought by
military leaders. Movement is necessary
to bring closer and more effective fire
against the enemy; fire superiority mini-
mizes hostile movement and neutralizes
hostile fire.

"Study of mechanization, which may be de-
fined as the application of mechanics to the
combat soldier on the battlefield with a view
to increasing his mobility, his protection,
and his striking power is conducted simul-
taneously with the study of motorization;
that is, the replacement of animal-drawn
by motor-propelled vehicles and the em-
ployment of motor trucks for rapid trans-
portation of large bodies of troops from
one part of the theater of operations to
another. Motorization has a great strategi-
cal value, while mechanization is largely
limited to combat tactics.

"During the maneuvers of the First Cav-
alry Division in September, 1927, experi-
ments were made in the motorization of
cavalry units. These experiments consisted
in moving personnel, animals, and equip-
ment by truck for varied distances. Trucks
employed were the standard Class B with
improved bodies and ramps for loading
purposes. Cavalry troops were transported
for distances varying from 25 to 300 miles,
arriving at their destinations in condition
to participate, mounted, in maneuver, or
combat. The First Cavalry Division is con-
tinuing these experiments. A motorized
battery of Field Artillery after marching
overland from Fort Sill, Okla., to Marfa,
Tex., participated in these maneuvers.
While the march was skillfully and rapidly
executed, some doubt still exists as to the
value of motorized artillery as an organic
part of a cavalry division. The Renault
tank demonstrated that it was too slow to
operate with cavalry. Motorization experi-
ments were also conducted by troops of the
Third Corps Area in a concentration at Fort
Leonard Wood, Md., during the month of
October, 1927. The Thirty-fourth Infantry
was transported 210 miles in 45 hours in
artillery ammunition trucks.

"These experiments, though conducted
with materiel which is not all up to date,
should provide some data upon which we
may determine the practicability and extent
of mechanization as applied to our particu-
lar conditions and also afford us an oppor-
tunity to study and develop the proper com-
position of a mechanized force and the
types of materiel and equipment best suited
to our organization and tactical doctrines.

Regular Army

"During the past year the Regular Army
has demonstrated the value of the training
given our officers at the general service
schools and the special service schools. I
attribute the high standards of efficiency
maintained in the Army to the sound meth-
ods and doctrines which are taught at these
schools.

National Guard

"The training objective of the National
Guard for the year was thorough basic
training for all units. In cases where the
requisite standards of basic training had
been reached advanced training was author-
ized. Much emphasis was placed on train-
ing in protective measures against low-
flying aircraft and against chemical-warfare
agencies.

Organized Reserves

"During the first quarter of the fiscal
year 1929 Reserve officers received active-
duty training.

"The revised policies governing the Offi-
cers' Reserve Corps have been in force for
a year. There have been few, if any, com-
plaints of a vital nature from any source.
An increase in the enrollment in the Army
correspondence courses and a large increase
in the number of Reserve officers who have
completed subcourses are most encouraging.
The enrollment of Reserve officers in the
correspondence courses for the last five
fiscal years has been: 1924, 11,219; 1925,
17,270; 1926, 20,169; 1927, 25,720; and 1928,
28,521.

"During the fiscal year there was an in-
crease in enrollment, camp attendance, and
production of graduates of the Reserve Of-
ficers' Training Corps. To provide for the
accumulated increase in the male collegiate
enrollment, the authorized basic course en-
rollment in the Reserve Officers' Training
Corps for the past school year was increased
by 9,000 students.

"The production of Reserve officers has
steadily increased and is now the major

factor in the maintenance of the strength
of the Officers' Reserve Corps.

Citizens' Military Training Camps

"With a total enrollment of 38,597,533 Cit-
izens' Military Training Camps were con-
ducted in the summer of 1927. The number
of applications exceeded the announced
quota by 60 per cent.

Mobilization Plans

"Mobilization plans have been revised
during the past year.

"The preparation of mobilization plans is
a duty of the War Department prescribed
by the National Defense Act. That act
places the burden of national defense upon
our citizens rather than upon a large stand-
ing army. Therefore the adequacy and
workability of mobilization plans determine
the strength of such defense.

"Our initial mobilization plans were
started while we were engaged in an orga-
nizational process involving both territorial
commands and units in conformity with the
National Defense Act of 1920. Naturally,
until there had been a determination of the
various problems connected with such plans,
it was necessary to centralize control in the
War Department. There resulted a rather
complex plan which provided the priority of
mobilization for every unit which might be
raised in the constitution of six field armies.

"Experience has shown that the readiness
of units is a variable factor. Even now in
each of the components of the Army of the
United States there are units which, due to
favorable conditions in their locality or the
enthusiasm of their personnel, are better
prepared for field service than are other
units assigned on earlier priority in the
initial mobilization plan.

"Under the new arrangement, instead of
assigning priorities and dates for the mo-
bilization of certain units, the War Depart-
ment merely fixes the major requirements
and places full responsibility upon the nine
corps area commanders for the plans and
control of mobilization within their respec-
tive areas. In the event of war, the War
Department will ask corps area command-
ers for a desired number of units to be
made available on a certain date, leaving
matters of identity, priority, and the like
to the determination of the corps area com-
manders.

"The revision of our mobilization plans
marks an important step toward the consoli-
dation of the man power of the Nation. The
plan continues to provide, in the event of a
grave national emergency, for the call to
arms of six field armies, aggregating three
and a half million men from an estimated
national man power of eighteen million.

"The mobilization rate of the Army is the
rate at which men can be procured, organ-
ized, and placed in readiness for combat.
Readiness, a relative term, includes training
and supply.

"Troops sent against an enemy should be
thoroughly trained and completely supplied.
However, the degree to which this obtains
will depend upon the exigencies of the situ-
ation.

"Whether there will be unit mobilization
at home stations will depend entirely upon
local conditions and will be determined in
each case by the respective corps area com-
mander. Under the new plan, corps area
commanders are responsible that troops are
equipped to the extent that supplies are
made available to them by the War Depart-
ment. In general, the plan contemplates
placing supplies in depots and giving to
corps areas credits against which they can
draw.

"To summarize, the new plan is a simpli-
fied one in which the utilization of man
power depends upon the readiness of units
for service in the theater of operations.

"As the national defense plans of this
country are designed to insure domestic
tranquillity, provide for the common de-
fense, and secure the blessings of
liberty to ourselves and our posterity, the
Army, an executive agency of the Govern-
ment, conceives its function to be that of
training and preparing itself and the man
power of the Nation to carry out the orders
of the Chief Executive in any and all cir-
cumstances, and with efficiency and dis-
patch.

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

The actual strength of the active Army of
the United States on June 30, 1928, by
classes of personnel was as follows: Total
commissioned officers, 12,112; warrant offi-
cers, Regular Army, 1,208; total enlisted
men, 121,185. Grand total, 134,505.

In addition to these there were 699 Army
nurses, 33 contract surgeons and 875 United
States Military Academy cadets, making
altogether 136,115 individuals in the Mil-
itary Service of the United States on that
date.

"Of the 134,505 commissioned officers,

warrant officers and enlisted men in the
Military Service on June 30, 1928, a total
of 96,366 were serving in the Continental
United States, 14,083 in Hawaii, 8,605 in the
Canal Zone, 310 in Alaska, 1,232 in Porto
Rico, 11,343 in the Philippine Islands, in-
cluding 6,486 officers and enlisted men of
the Philippine Scouts, 979 in China, 7 in
Europe (attached to the Graves Registration
Service), and 1,530 were either en route
from one country to another, on leave of
absence, or were serving as Military At-
tachés in various foreign countries.

"During the fiscal year 385 persons ac-
cepted appointments as commissioned offi-
cers in the Regular Army and Philippine

Scouts. Of these, 260 were graduates of
the Military Academy, 13 were enlisted men
of the Regular Army, 3 were former com-
missioned officers of the Regular Army, 10
were honor graduates (Reserve Officers'
Training Corps) of approved educational
institutions, 45 were selected from among
other classes of civilian eligibles and 54
were Reserve officers, including 32 officers
of the Medical Reserve Corps.

"During the fiscal year there was a net
loss of 54 in the number of warrant officers
on duty in the Army. There is an ever-
increasing clerical shortage at the various
Army field headquarters, and General Wahl
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specifically during this short session for consideration of bills from our Committee, except by resolution reported from the Rules Committee and passed by the House giving a certain time for the consideration of some major proposition.

However, any reported bills and resolutions may be considered by unanimous consent or by a suspension of the rules. Such consideration of military legislation will be restricted, but it does give bills reported by the Committee a chance to be considered.

All public bills reported by our Committee will undoubtedly be placed on the Unanimous Consent Calendar. This will bring up each measure on Consent Day in the order of its standing on this calendar. Only those bills, however, that are of a noncontroversial character have any chance of passage, because the first time a bill is called up, one objection stops consideration, while if it is retained on the Consent Calendar and called up a second time three objections will stop consideration of the measure and cause its removal from the Consent Calendar. Under certain conditions a bill can also be called up by what is known as a suspension of the rules. In this case, a bill can be passed only by a two-thirds vote.

It would seem from a consideration of the status of legislation at the present time that the initial action on both the Housing Program and the Promotion and Retirement problem would have to come from the Senate side. When the Senate acts on these measures they will be sent to Conference. I think there can be no question but that the Housing Bills pending in the Senate will be finally enacted with such amendments and additions as the intervening time between passing of the bills by the House and their passing by the Senate may seem to require in order that the construction program may go forward. As for the Promotion and Retirement Bills, it is difficult to predict. I have already stated in the columns of the *Army and Navy Journal*, commenting on the survey which is now being made on this subject, that in my judgment it is all important that the Army get together and stand as a unit behind some definite proposal. If this is done I feel reasonably sure the two Houses of Congress can and will work out a solution.

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Comptroller General Decisions

A-24485. (S.) Naval Reserve, Fleet—Drill pay. Officers of the Fleet Naval Reserve entitled to drill pay for the performance of their appropriate duties at the annual or monthly rates prescribed by section 21 of the act of February 28, 1925, 43 Stat. 1086, are entitled to the maximum monthly pay during a given month only if there has been performance during that month of the minimum requirements for drills or appropriate duty as prescribed by regulations and also if entitled to drill pay during the entire month. Failure to perform the minimum requirements during a given month reduces proportionately the monthly rate of pay and that rate of pay is payable only during the portion of the month the officer is in a drill pay status. 1. Comp. Gen. 392.

A-25051. Transportation—Travel by automobile and train—Army officer. Where an officer of the Army was ordered to travel from his station to the hospital for observation and treatment and commenced the journey by automobile, and while en route became too ill to thus complete the journey, but completed it by train, purchasing his transportation from his personal funds, he may, under the act of May 29, 1928, 45 Stat. 975, be paid 3 cents per mile over the shortest usually traveled rail route in the same proportion as the travel actually completed by automobile bears to the entire distance over the selected route, and the proportionate cost to the Government of transportation over the remainder of the rail route.

A-24731. (S.) Pay—Field Training—National Guard. Where a unit of the National Guard engaged in authorized field training returns to its home station two days prior to the close of the prescribed field training period, thus eliminating the prescribed training for these two days, and the Secretary of War excuses the unit from participation in field training for the two days in question, such unit is not engaged in field training during the two days in question within the meaning of the laws and regulations made in pursuance thereof, and the personnel thereof are not entitled to pay therefor.

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points out that unless legislation is enacted in the near future providing for the appointment of additional warrant officers, this condition will become acute. Although two sets of Congress have recently been passed specifically designed to provide additional warrant officers, the eligible classes were so restricted that but 6 appointments have been made under those acts. Included in the 1,208 warrant officers now on duty, are 40 in the Army Mine Planter Service and 93 band leaders, leaving but 1,075 whose services can be utilized for clerical duty.

The total strength of the Officers' Reserve Corps at the end of the fiscal year was 114,824, including 8,765 officers who held commission in both the National Guard and the Reserve Corps. On June 30, 1928, there were 324 units of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps with a total enrollment of 112,349. During the summer of 1927, 38,597 men completed the courses at Citizens' Military Training Camps. During the year 34,998 students were enrolled in the Army correspondence courses. Approximately 6,000 students were enrolled at post schools maintained at different camps.

SURGEON GENERAL

The rate from diseases and injuries combined for the total Army was 654.64, as compared to 687.22 for 1926. The decline in the admission rate was confined principally to the class of epidemic, endemic, and infectious diseases and diseases of the respiratory system. There was also a slight decline in the incidence of diseases of the skin and cellular tissue, bones and organs of locomotion, and malformations. There was a slight increase in the rates from all other classes of disease, including traumas.

There was a total of 531 deaths, as compared to 522 for the calendar year 1926. It will be noted that suicide, which was the leading cause in 1926, was again the leading cause and the rate advanced from 0.33 to 0.39. The second most common cause for the year was tuberculosis. This was the third most common cause in 1926. The rate for this disease also advanced slightly. Airplane accidents were the third most common cause, 0.23.

The rate from diseases was 2.35 per 1,000. This was the highest death rate from diseases since 1920, when it was 3.42. This rather excessively high death rate is principally due to the large number of deaths resulting from the outbreak of cerebrospinal meningitis, which occurred in the Army during the year.

The death rate from external causes was 1.65, as compared to 1.67 for 1926, and 1.99 for 1925. The current rate was the lowest ever recorded in the Army from external causes, except the rate for the three years of the World War period (1917, 1918 and 1919), when it was 1.22, 1.39 and 1.34, respectively, exclusive of battle traumas. The leading cause of death from injuries was suicide (52).

The death rate from all causes for officers, including warrant officers, was 7.18 per 1,000. The rate for commissioned officers was 7.07, and that for warrant officers 8.03. The rate for officers was higher than that for any year since 1916, except those for 1918 and 1919. The rate is also higher than that for white or colored enlisted men serving in any country or for native troops. A partial explanation for this is the high rate for officers caused by airplane and balloon accidents; and a much greater average age of officers as compared to other ranks.

The death rate from diseases for total officers was 3.89 per 1,000; that for commissioned officers was 3.68; and that for warrant officers, 5.62. The rate for total officers was higher than it has been for any year since 1920, and it was higher during the current year than that for any other troops, except the colored enlisted men serving in the United States, the troops serving in China, and those from any single cause, either from diseases or traumas. The number of suicides in 1926 was 44, and the number in 1925 was 42. Balloon and airplane accidents caused 31 deaths and drowning 28.

The death rate from all causes for all enlisted men for the year was 3.69, that from diseases 2.20 and that from external causes 1.49. The rate from all causes was lower than that for 1926 (3.80), but higher than it was for 1925 (3.58).

SCHOHL GETS RESERVE RANK.

Announcement has been made of the appointment of Brig. Gen. William F. Schohl, of the New York National Guard, to the rank of Brigadier General in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

POSTHUMOUS D. S. C. AWARD.

Award of the D. S. C. to Capt. J. W. McConnell, 101st Infantry, 26th Division, (deceased), for extraordinary heroism in action in Trugny Woods, France, July 20, 1918, is announced.

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TANK CORPSMEN LOSE.

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